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FARMERS UNION HEAD CONDEMNNS HOBBS MEASURE

Says Members Do Not Want Concentration Camps Here

By Adam Lapin

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 3.—A protest against the Hobbs concentration camp bill by the National Farmers' Union today capped a rising tide of opposition to the reactionary measure.

John Vesceky, president of the Farmers' Union, sent a sharp letter assailing the bill to all Congressmen tonight. A similar letter was sent earlier by Lee Pressman, CIO General Counsel.

Vesceky said that "the farmers are not in favor of studding our country with concentration camps."

New Deal opponents of the Hobbs bill gained considerable strength as a result of postponement of the date for consideration of the bill, which had originally been set for yesterday.

It was uncertain late today whether the measure would come up tomorrow or Friday.

Several prominent Republican Congressmen and a number of conservative Southern Democrats have been swung away from support of the bill after hearing charges of unconstitutionality made by Representatives Samuel Dickstein, Emanuel Celler and Vito Marcantonio of New York.

The bill provides that all aliens who have been ordered deported but whose countries won't accept them shall be imprisoned indefinitely without trial after 90 days. Lack of any provision for a trial or for due process of law is the basis for the charge that the bill is unconstitutional.

Cells and other Congressmen maintained that Supreme Court decisions uphold the contention that the constitution applies to non-citizens as well as citizens.

G.O.P. FOR IT

The majority of Republican Congressmen are, however, expected to swing with reactionary Southern Democrats in lining up a large vote for the bill.

In any event, the stiff fight which the measure is encountering is expected to help in the Senate if a show-down should come there.

Opposition to the anti-alien legislation which is being jammed through the House is believed to be quite strong in the Senate.

Vesceky came out flatly in the name of his organization against the whole series of anti-alien bills which is being pushed by Representative Martin Dies in the House, by Senator Robert Reynolds in the Senate.

He said that these bills "threaten to undermine our democratic institutions."

The farm leader declared that the farmers "do not want to be finger-printed and asked for their passports every time they go into town."

Urging Congressmen to vote against the bill, he said that "families should not be sentenced to life imprisonment in concentration camps because they have come from some country which a dictator has swallowed up."

Pressman declared in his letter to Congressmen that the rights of organized labor were threatened by the pending anti-alien bills.

"We feel that the civil liberties of all citizens of our country are menaced when such unconstitutional measures are directed against aliens," he declared.

"And we know that frequently alien bills are used to intimidate and threaten workers who are exercising their ordinary rights to join with their fellow workers in the improvement of their living conditions."

Pressman said that the Hobbs bill "is a violation of the fundamental principles of justice and in contravention of our constitutional guarantees."

Start "Death Watch" at Flint Relief Offices

FLINT, Mich., May 3 (UP).—Men representing 750 families dropped from city relief rolls took up a "death watch" in a tent across the street from the county relief offices tonight.

BATTLES HOBBS



VITO MARCANTONIO

Somervell Hits Slur Against WPA Output

Ridicules Testimony of Tory Stooges at WPA Probe

Lieut. Col. Erehon B. Somervell, New York Works Progress Administrator, last night characterized as "ridiculous" charges that WPA construction efficiency is only 40 per cent of private work, and offered to give the actual facts to the House Committee investigating WPA, of which Rep. Burton Woodrum of Virginia is chairman.

Somervell's comment related to testimony before the committee widely publicized in yesterday's newspapers, charging that the WPA building at the World's Fair would cost far above the original estimate, and that Queens Public School 64 costs \$782,000 as compared to \$441,000 for a similar privately constructed school.

The WPA head, who is an army engineer, lashed out sharply at Congressman John Taber, loud-mouthed spokesman for up-state New York Republicans. Taber was quoted as stating before the committee that the World's Fair building will cost \$2,500,000.

"Whoever gave that information was highly inaccurate," Somervell declared. "Our building will be one of the cheapest at the Fair."

He said the cost of the building in which WPA's achievements will be exhibited will be below \$500,000. "Apparently an expert is anybody away from home," he remarked caustically.

WPA's actual efficiency is from 70 to 75 per cent of private industry, Somervell declared, not 40 per cent, as witnesses staged by Mr. Woodrum declared.

He explained that the lower efficiency than private work is due to a number of factors, such as work continuing during bad weather, which lowers productivity; necessity to hire equipment; hiring of labor from relief rolls not on the basis of efficiency. Somervell also pointed out that the uncertainty of ap-

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Report Amen Indicts 15 Higher-Ups In Probe

Brooklyn Investigation Said to Reach Into State Legislature

Fifteen indictments were reported yesterday obtained secretly before Grand Jurymen by Special Prosecutor John Harlan Amen, reaching into the police department and up into the state legislature.

While not revealing the names of those whom indictments are impending in Amen's drive against corruption in Brooklyn law enforcement circles, it was understood that list includes three state legislators, two assistant district attorneys, a police lieutenant, a former assistant prosecutor and a legislator's secretary.

The indictments, it was learned, have not yet been filed by Prosecutor Amen.

Another legislator, informed circles declared, will also come within the legal dragnet for alleged second degree perjury in filing his income tax return.

Prosecutor Amen, it was learned, is withholding the names of those against whom he obtained indictments, hoping to persuade some to turn state's witness, and meanwhile deferring action against the legislators until the state legislature adjourns in June.

The breakdown of William F. McGuinness, assistant to Kings County District Attorney Geoghan, who pleaded guilty to four charges and turned state's evidence several days ago, was expected to reveal more higher-ups in the Brooklyn bribery ring.

N. M. U. Signs New Oil Pact On Great Lakes

Win Closed Shop, Eight-Hour Day, Pay for Overtime

(Special to the Daily Worker)
CLEVELAND, May 3.—Another Great Lakes tanker corporation signed an agreement with the National Maritime Union yesterday, raising wages to the scale paid on other union tankers on the Lakes and adding at least one man to each crew.

The agreement provided that all men will be hired through NMU Union halls and protected the crew from arbitrary discharge. It provides for the eight-hour day and pay at 75 cents an hour for all work over eight hours in any day, and other vastly improved conditions.

The company objected to paying for overtime, and balked for a month on the hiring hall clause. The crews backed the NMU negotiators on this demand with several telegrams to the company while negotiations were in progress, and the company finally agreed to union hiring.

The agreement is retroactive to April 27. It was negotiated for the NMU by Secretary-Treasurer M. Hedley Stone, Charles Abar and Jay Parker, Port Agents in Cleveland and Detroit, respectively.

Lakes branches of the NMU are showing great enthusiasm in hunting out scab-herders and spreading information of the coast tanker strike to seamen and the general public in Lakes ports.

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U.S. Won't Appease Dictators, Minton Says

Warns Aggressors U. S. Will Offer No Appeasement

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 3.—Senator Sherman Minton of Indiana warned today that the fascist dictators will not be coddled with the Chamberlain policies of appeasement if they attempt aggression in the Western Hemisphere.

Minton gave this warning in an open-air meeting at the Sylvan Theatre which climaxed the peace-and-security week staged on a nation-wide scale by the American Union for Concerted Peace Efforts. Speeches at the meeting were broadcast over an NBC National hook-up.

Speaking in the shadow of the tall shaft of the Washington Monument and in clear view of the South portion of the White House, Minton said:

"As we strengthen our army and navy, and the air forces of each, let the world understand that America is devoted to peace, but no less than she is devoted to the high idealism that has lifted her up."

NO APPEASEMENT HERE

"We want to be left alone, and to leave others alone, but we want above all things, to make it abundantly clear to the dictators of the world that if they try their tactics in this hemisphere, there will be no appeasement here."

The peace and security week which ended today was organized to rally public opinion in support of President Roosevelt's foreign policy and of amendments to the neutrality act to penalize aggressor nations.

Representing a wide range of interests, speakers at the meeting included Daniel C. Roper, newly designated Minister to Canada, Henry I. Harriman, former president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, Mrs. Henry F. Grady, vice chairman of the Democratic National Committee and Clark M. Eichelberger, chairman of the American Union for Concerted Peace Efforts.

Harriman declared that he favored "a policy of world cooperation for I believe that this policy alone can permanently protect America's interest."

AGAINST ISOLATION

"It has been well said that the United States cannot be an island of sanity and safety in a sea of madness and war; and a policy of isolation, formulated in the name of peace, may well be responsible for America's ultimate entry into war."

Mrs. Grady said that "the economic power of the United States is the power alike of capital and labor. And capital and labor want that power used for peace and against aggression."

"In our democracy, the moral power of the United States is the awakened conscience of the people themselves. The people want their moral power used for peace and they want it used against aggression."

Roper, who acted as chairman of the meeting, said that, "We should stand immovably behind the policy of opposing aggression of promoting peace among nations and of developing adequate peace machinery."

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CROWDS SHOUT 'DOWN WITH HITLER' ON POLAND'S INDEPENDENCE DAY

Polish People Demand Unity With U.S.S.R. as New Munich Shapes Up

By Sam Russell

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)
PARIS, May 3.—Unity of the popular forces of Poland has been strengthened and the people are demanding the closest alliance with the Soviet Union—yet from other European capitals today came information that Munich plans are being pressed forward by pro-fascist capitalists.

The determination to resist which made itself evident in Warsaw shook Nazi confidence. British Ambassador Sir Neville Henderson then paid a visit to Nazi Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop which resulted in a bolstering of Nazi spirits.

London gave orders for withdrawal of fleet units from Gibraltar, for removal of barriers on the coast road from La Linea, Spain, to Gibraltar, and for lifting the arms embargo on Spain. This left the sea free for the activity of the Nazi battle fleet.

And in Paris the entire Right-wing press, which is tied to the apron-strings of the Government and the Quai d'Orsay (foreign office), opened a furious anti-Soviet barrage.

Soviet talks are going well. Reports from all capitals confirm this.

Directly after the talk between Ribbentrop and Henderson, who is an admirer of Hitler, informed circles in Berlin openly boasted that solution of the Polish "problem" depends not on Warsaw, but on London. And the Munichers in Paris duly echoed these statements.

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Japan Eyes Foreign Area In Shanghai

Wants Larger Share in Control; Planes Bomb Chungking

SHANGHAI, May 3 (UP).—Japan today demanded a greater share in control of Shanghai's International Settlement and sent her bombing planes against the Chinese capital in Chungking, reportedly killing and wounding more than 1,000 Chinese.

The aerial attacks began at 1 P. M. today. Twenty-two Japanese planes swooped down on Chungking in the first raid, dropping scores of bombs. A United Press correspondent saw one plane shot down at the airport.

Chinese observers said that 45 Japanese machines took part. Chinese fighters held off 23 of them but the remainder reached the capital.

The formal Japanese demands for "a thorough reorganization" of the Government of the International Settlement here were made in Tokyo by the Japanese Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs, Rensu Sawada.

A Navy Ministry pamphlet to be published May 27 in Tokyo will accuse the United States of intending "invasion of the Pacific," it was learned.

[The pamphlet will attack U. S. fortification of the Wake, Midway and Johnston Islands and other Pacific bases, as provided in the Vinson bill for increasing the U. S. Navy.]

Pres. Roosevelt Greets Poles on National Holiday

WASHINGTON, May 3.—President Roosevelt today sent a cablegram to Ignace Moscicki, President of Poland, expressing friendship to his country on the occasion of Polish National Day.

Sent in a moment when the country is mobilizing its forces for defense against the Nazi threat, the cablegram stated:

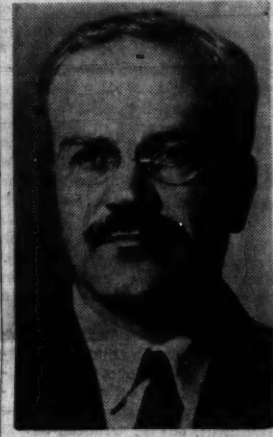
"On behalf of my fellow citizens and in my own name," the President said, "I send to Your Excellency hearty felicitations on Polish National Day, with the earnest wish that the ties of friendship and good understanding existing between your country and mine may continue to increase and prosper."

Most Britons Favor Soviet Tie, Survey Shows

LONDON, May 3 (UP).—A British Institute of Public Opinion poll published in the News Chronicle today indicated that 87 per cent of the British voting population favored a military alliance of Britain, France and the Soviet Union.

Seventy-two per cent approved British military guarantees to small European nations.

The survey interviewers polled a "carefully balanced cross-section of the voting population."



V. M. MOLOTOV

Molotov New Head of Soviet Foreign Office

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, May 3.—Vyacheslav Molotov, Chairman of the Council of People's Commissars of the U.S.S.R., today assumed the additional post of People's Commissar of Foreign Affairs of the U.S.S.R.

He replaced Maxim Litvinov, who was released from the duties of Foreign Commissar at his own request.

Sees China as Biggest Buyer Of U. S. Goods

WASHINGTON, May 3 (UP).—Industrial development of China would give the United States a customer consuming a quarter of a billion dollars more goods annually than our present best customer, Great Britain, C. H. French, Vice President of the Chinese-American Foreign Trade Council, told members of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce today.

"Every consideration of self-interest impels this country to protect its trade with China, a nation which ultimately might purchase \$750,000,000 worth of American goods each year," French said.

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London Moves Hint Brewing Of New Munich

Chamberlain Puts Out Feeler for Deal With Hitler

LONDON, May 3 (UP).—Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain today made a bid for a pact with Nazi Germany after Britain's refusal to enter into an armed alliance with the Soviet Union snagged efforts to establish a European peace front.

Chamberlain, answering Laborite questions in the House of Commons, said that Britain stands ready to consider giving Adolf Hitler reciprocal assurances.

"His Majesty's government would certainly be ready to consider proposals for exchange of reciprocal assurances" with the German government," the Prime Minister said.

Some French diplomats understood that both Britain and France already had made diplomatic soundings in Berlin.

The Foreign Office already has sent to Berlin formal acknowledgment of the Nazi renunciation of the 1935 naval pact, which limited the German battle fleet to 35 per cent of Britain's tonnage.

DODGES QUESTIONS

Official admission by a spokesman that the Anglo-Soviet negotiations to align the Soviet Union's tremendous fighting strength with the Anglo-French entente were "momentarily blocked," was made after Chamberlain glumly dodged opposition questions on the matter in the House of Commons.

Chamberlain and the cabinet were described as still being stubbornly opposed to the Soviet Union's demand that the Anglo-French military entente be expanded to include the Red Army as the price of Soviet collaboration.

Britain also is opposed to the U.S.S.R.'s desire, as put forward in proposals from Moscow, to extend the anti-aggression guarantees to cover Russia's Baltic neighbors of Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania.

Soviet officials in London tonight asserted that the principal objectives of the Soviet Union's collaboration must be an Anglo-French-Soviet Pact.

Other matters, such as guarantees to the Baltic states, they described

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Crowds Celebrating Nat'l Holiday Deride Swastika

GROWING UNITY SEEN

Hitler Threatens Baltic Countries By Guise of Neutrality

WARSAW, May 3 (UP).—Crowds celebrating Poland's national holiday of independence today shouted "down with Hitler! Down with aggressors!" near the Nazi embassy where parading Polish troops marched past the Nazi swastika.

Only a few small detachments of soldiers participated in the holiday celebration because of the government's decision to maintain more than 1,300,000 troops on a war footing in preparation for the country's answer on Friday to Hitler's demands.

It generally was agreed that Foreign Minister Beck in his speech to parliament Friday not only will reject Hitler's demands for restoration of Danzig to the Reich and a Nazi motor road across the Polish corridor but also may make counter-demands for greater Polish rights in Danzig.

The holiday celebrations, commemorating the adoption of the first Polish democratic constitution in 1791 on the French revolutionary model, created tension in the Polish corridor and the Danzig area.

CHANT DEFIANCE

At the Polish port of Gdynia, west of Danzig on the Baltic, Polish soldiers and crowds massed in the streets chanting:

"We will never leave the Baltic coast and we will defend Poland's access to the sea with our blood."

The tension and defiance of the crowds was dominated by realization that a turning point toward peace or possible strife, insofar as Poland is concerned, probably will be reached when Beck addresses parliament.

Several Polish regiments—all that could be spared from the frontiers and outlying garrisons—marched through the diplomatic quarter of Warsaw and past the Nazi embassy with the swastika waving outside.

Almost directly across the street flew the flag of the former Czechoslovak republic, the Czech legation here never having been surrendered to Germany.

Crowds lining the parade route shouted:

"Down with Hitler! Long live Poland! Down with the aggressors!"

TURN OUT ARMS

Arms plants worked in Poland at top speed for the first time on a national holiday and workers donated the day's pay to the government's internal armaments loan.

Cabinet ministers labored throughout the day speeding up military preparations for doubling the number of officers on active duty and seeking emergency powers for President Ignacy Moscicki to rule by decree until next Nov. 1.

Nazi continued bitter anti-Polish attacks coupled with warnings that "the future of the Polish people is at stake."

Polish observers said that the day's holiday celebrations showed the growing unity of the nation.

Members of the National Youth Society, who two months ago stoned scores of Jewish Socialists and Jewish Social-Democrats, Ukrainian peasants and liberals mingled in the festivities.

HITLER BEGINS MOVE TO NEUTRALIZE BAL TIC

BERLIN, May 3 (UP).—Hitler tonight was embarked on an ambitious

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Regrets Norway Told Hitler She Had No Fear

OSLO, Norway, May 3 (UP).—C. J. Hambro, Speaker of Parliament, said in a debate on neutrality today that Norway's answer to Nazi Germany on whether she felt herself threatened should not have been in the negative.

"Norway should have emphasized that no country could help feeling threatened because public security generally is threatened," Hambro declared.

Open Danish Pavilion



FRONTING THE COURT OF PEACE at the head of Constitution Mall, the Danish Pavilion at the World's Fair is shown at the ceremonies at its official opening.

Polish Envoy Dedicates Pavilion, Warns Nazis

Roosevelt Sends Friendship Message to Poland—Occasion Marks 150th Anniversary of Nation's First Constitution

Dedicating the Polish Pavilion at the World's Fair yesterday, Poland's Ambassador, Count Jerzy Potocki, warned that Poland will resist alien invasion now, as in the reign of King Wladyslaw Jagiello, whose statue protects the entrance to the pavilion.

The opening was attended by dense crowds of Polish-Americans, who applauded the Ambassador's words enthusiastically.

Gesturing toward the statue of the 15th century Polish king, during whose reign Poland was united and a Teutonic invasion repulsed, Count Potocki declared:

"Thus we see that over this miniature Poland there still stands on guard the symbol of armed might which once before saved Poland from an alien invasion."

The dedication ceremonies began with a 19-gun salute as the Ambassador and a party of other Polish dignitaries arrived at the Fair and proceeded to the Polish building, one of whose outstanding features is a high, golden, open-work tower.

The occasion commemorated the 150th anniversary of the signing of the first Polish Constitution. President Roosevelt acknowledged the occasion in a message of friendship today to President Ignacy Moscicki at Warsaw.

Other Polish notables in attendance at the opening of the pavilion were Antoni Romani, Minister of Commerce; Baron Stefan Ropp, Polish Commissioner General to the Fair, and Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins.

Poles Want USSR's Aid, Not 'Munich'

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matie language would call it "capitulatory" attitude regarding Danzig when he speaks Friday to the Polish Sejm (Diet).

French Minister Noel at Warsaw has been designated for the role played by British Minister Newton in Prague last September, in the build-up of the Munich betrayal. Noel, a fascist sympathizer and collaborator of P. E. Flaminio, "Gauleiter France," is to encourage Fifth Column fascist activity in Warsaw.

"KINDLY ADVICE"

The first results of Henderson's "courtesy call"—a description which has fooled no one—are seen in the Nazi press this morning. The attacks on Britain have given way to kindly advice on the "dangers" of a Soviet pact.

An authoritative source reveals that the Soviet alliance proposals were definitely opposed by the British ruling circles on the grounds that it would "unnecessarily irritate" Germany and intensify the outcry of "encirclement" in the Reich.

Democratic opinion here is on the alert lest a "Runciman operation" such as led to the destruction of Czechoslovakia be transferred to eastern Europe. A plot against European peace is being organized under the eyes of the people.

That is why the British dilly-dallying and the anti-Soviet campaign are regarded as ominous at a time when rapid conclusion of a Soviet pact is essential to save peace.

Young Roosevelt Sails

LE HAVRE, France, May 3 (UP).—James Roosevelt sailed for New York today on the S.S. Queen Mary.

CHINESE CLOSE IN ON KEY ENEMY POSITION

Edgar Owen, U.S. Communist Party Founder, Is Dead

Foster and Browder Pay Tribute to One of Communist Party's Founders in U. S. Who Died in Moscow Hospital

Edgar Owens, one of the founders of the Communist Party in the United States and a leader of labor defense work in this country for many years, died in the Soviet Union in Kremlin Hospital, Moscow, on Tuesday after a long illness.

Name Spanish Orphan Camp For First Lady

Call Colony at Bayonne, France, the Eleanor Roosevelt House

One of the seven children's colonies for Spanish orphans, in and around Biarritz, France, has been named the Eleanor Roosevelt House, Eric G. Muggidge, executive secretary, Foster Parents' Plan for Spanish Children, 55 West 42nd St., New York City, announced yesterday.

Mrs. Roosevelt recently "adopted" a twelve-year-old Spanish orphan, Lorenzo Murias, through the Foster Parents' Plan. The Eleanor Roosevelt House is at Bayonne, France. The house will take care of several Spanish children. It will have its own director and a staff of teachers, nurses and cook, as well as a visiting staff composed of a doctor, shoemaker, barber, dressmaker and carpenter.

Clothing at the colony will be made by the refugees themselves. The children are dressed simply and neatly in tunics and sandals. The tunics are made by the women and older girls from remnant materials from the Biarritz shops. The sandals and shoes are made by Spanish refugee shoemakers and some boy apprentices from oddments of leather bought cheaply from a Bayonne shoe factory.

There are six other children's houses sponsored by the Foster Parents' Plan, to take care of the Spanish children. One colony is at Biarritz, one is at Bayonne, one is at Hastings, one at Ustaritz, one at Ixassou and one has been set up at St. Jean Pied de Port.

The cost of maintaining a child is \$30 per day or \$9.00 per month, a provides food, clothing, schoolbooks and sufficient surplus to maintain the staff at the children's colonies. Any person, organization, union, church or social group can adopt a child by promising to support it for one year.

Two See Sub Off Canadian Coast Stories Check

YARMOUTH, Nova Scotia, May 3 (UP).—Roy Bain, truck driver and Robert Churchill, farmer, both reported to police yesterday that they had seen a submarine off Chequigon point near Yarmouth, Saturday night.

The reports were made separately. They said they saw the submarine from different positions but at approximately the same time. Their descriptions tallied.

An air force plane has been making two flights daily along the coast looking for a submarine.

Belgium Expels Nazi Reporter For Threat

BRUSSELS, May 3 (UP).—The government today decided to expel a German Nazi named Ehler, who is vice-president of the Foreign Press Union and correspondent of the Westdeutsche Beobachter, on charges that he threatened the Commander of Police at Winterlingen.

Eisler Music Tonight on 'Good Neighbor' Hour

(Special to the Daily Worker)
MEXICO CITY, May 3.—The New York Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra's recording of Hanns Eisler's latest suite will have its world premiere Thursday night from 11 to 12 o'clock Eastern Standard Time, on the Mexican Government's Good Neighbor Hour, broadcast over Short-wave Station XEXA, 48 meters, 6.172 kilocycles; Station XENT, 229.5 meters, 610 kilocycles, and Station XEDP, 1,080 kilocycles.

Composed for a motion picture cartoon which will be featured ten times daily for a year at the New York World's Fair, the suite, recorded under the direction of Oscar Levant, is divided into five parts: "The Horseless Carriage," "The

Owens, 59, became active in the labor movement while working as an upholsterer in Illinois.

He was the outstanding Socialist Party leader in Moline, Ill., a leader of the left wing of the Socialist Party. He was a member of the Socialist State Executive Committee at the time of the formation of the Communist Party, of which he was a charter member.

For a time, Owens was the Communist Party organizer in Illinois and Michigan, but his main work was in labor defense.

Owens was one of the defendants in the Committee Labor Party trial in Chicago resulting from the notorious Palmer raids. He was also arrested during the Bridgman raids.

Despite a serious hip ailment which forced him to walk with a cane, Owens was an energetic and cheerful person, inspiring others with his courage.

He was the first organizer of the Labor Defense Committee, a forerunner of the International Labor Defense.

Owens left for the U.S.S.R. several years ago to continue his work in defense of labor's rights on an international scale.

Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party, and William Z. Foster, national chairman, expressed deep regret at the death of Owens.

"The death of Edgar Owens," Browder said, "one of the most active founders of the American Communist movement, is a deep personal loss to all who knew him."

Owens' life was a life of service to his comrades. His memory will live among all who knew him."

Foster said that "it was with real grief that I learned of the death of Edgar Owens in the Soviet Union."

"Edgar was a splendid type of Communist,"

"All his life he was a loyal fighter for the workingclass, for Socialism. And to make his service the more noteworthy, he was sick and badly crippled for many years."

"Despite his terrible infirmities he kept at his work and maintained an optimistic outlook upon life and the class struggle that continuously struck with amazement all who came into contact with him."

"He had the Bolshevik fighting spirit in a superlative degree. I am proud to have been one of his intimate friends, and his merry, ready jokes coming for a body twisted and torn with pain, will always linger with me."

"Comrade Owens' life was well and bravely lived."

Honor del Vayo At Dinner Here Tonight

Mann, Van Loon to Speak at Reception for Spanish Republican

Julio Alvarez del Vayo, Foreign Minister of the Spanish Republican Government, will be the guest of honor at a dinner tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the Hotel Astor. The affair is being conducted under the auspices of the Spanish Refugee Relief Committee, 381 Fourth Ave.

Guest speakers at the dinner will be Thomas Mann and Hendrik Willem Van Loon. Dr. Sherwood Eddy will be the chairman. Proceeds will be used for the relief of Spanish refugees in France.

Members of the reception committee are Mr. and Mrs. Jay Allen, Mrs. Dana C. Backus, Bruce Bliven, Mrs. Francine Bradley, Bennet Cerf, Miss Susan Colby Cleveland, William O. Field, Jr., John Gunther, Miss Freda Kirchway, Mrs. James Lees Laidlaw, Miss Irene Lewisohn, Miss Erika Mann, Klaus Mann, Mrs. Edgerton Parsons, Harry Scherman, Mrs. Vincent Sheean, Dr. and Mrs. James Shotwell, Mrs. William Austin Smith, Leland Stowe and Mrs. Raymond Gram Swing.

Moscow-Stockholm Air Transport Season Opens

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, May 3.—The 1939 season of the regular civil air transport line from Moscow to Stockholm, Sweden, was open yesterday.

Sees Victory



CHIANG KAI-SHEK

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as "natural outgrowths of a triple alliance."

The cabinet in its three-hour session decided to send new instructions to Sir William Seeds, British ambassador in Moscow, including "certain reservations" regarding mutual defense.

Chamberlain aroused increased Laborite anger over the delay in the Anglo-Soviet negotiations when Robert J. Boothby, Conservative, charged in Commons that there was a great anxiety in Britain about the matter and asked:

"Is there any objection in principle to our negotiating a straight pact of mutual assistance with the Soviet government on the lines of the Franco-Soviet agreement?" Chamberlain replied:

"I am not prepared to answer that at this stage."

Considerable comment was aroused in political quarters by a statement in Lord Rothermere's Daily Mail and the Daily Sketch warning Poland against "exaggerated claims" and any "truculent attitude."

At the same time the Conservative London Times in a letter from Lord Rothermere, former Minister of Labor, printed on the editorial page, appeared to be laying the groundwork for accommodation with Nazi Germany.

Rome Needs Gold, Italians Must Give Up Coffee

ROME, May 3.—Italians were informed by Fascist newspapers today that they must give up coffee drinking.

Purchases of arms materials abroad will make necessary use of part of Italy's gold reserve. Most coffee exporting countries have refused to enter into barter arrangements. Negotiations with Brazil have broken down.

Coffee has been scarce in Italy for months and recently has been practically unobtainable at stores. Cafes have had their usual quota.

Soviet Strength Inspires All Workers Abroad, Says Pravda

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, May 3.—"The world proletariat views with satisfaction and pride the results of the May Day review of its militant revolutionary forces," the Soviet newspaper Pravda editorially declared today.

"It was an imposing celebration! It showed the world that the working class of all countries stands firmly on the positions of the proletarian socialist revolution, that hundreds of millions of working people throughout the world have rallied around the working class, around the Communists, united by the determination to give a crushing repulse to fascism, united by the determination to hasten the destruction of hated capitalism."

WORLD SHOCK BRIGADE

"The May Day celebration of the international proletariat was conducted under clear anti-fascist slogans. Everywhere the working people demonstrated their will for unity of the people's struggle against the insolent aggressors. Everywhere the working people greeted the great Soviet country as their own mother, as a mighty bulwark of the world proletariat in the struggle against the common hated enemy—the world of capitalist rape and exploitation."

"To the Soviet Union—the shock brigade of the world proletariat—

Ground Laid for China's Final Victory -- Chiang

Calls for Mobilization of National Will to Win; Praises Partisans Fighting in Rear of Japanese Lines

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

CHUNGKING, China, May 3.—"The fate of China is now being decided," Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek declared Monday in a broadcast speech opening a nation-wide campaign for "mobilization of the national spirit."

"The war of independence has entered its most important phase. Twenty-two months of war have prepared the ground for the final victory of China."

"However, we must not under any circumstances let ourselves be lulled by this idea and lose our vigilance. We must double our efforts in the struggle against the enemy."

"Today we vow, by the memory of our forefathers, that we shall fulfill our duty to the nation and we shall not allow our fatherland to be disgraced."

LAUDS PARTISANS

Chiang then expressed his admiration for the Chinese patriots who are courageously fighting in the rear of the Japanese invaders, thus showing that the "occupied" territory will soon be returned to China.

He spoke also of the heavy losses of the Japanese in the "occupied" districts.

"Refusal to collaborate with the enemy and resistance in the 'occupied' districts are just as important as fighting the enemy," he said.

"The spirit of patriotism unites us with the Chinese population in the 'occupied' towns and villages."

Chiang called upon the Chinese living in Shanghai, Tientsin and Hong Kong to continue to fulfill their duty to the country. Stressing the importance of the present patriotic campaign, Chiang declared that the Chinese people would drive out the invader and build a new China.

The May Day meeting of labor organizations in Chungking was attended by representatives of 100 labor unions. After hearing speeches, all the delegates took an oath of allegiance to the nation.

The semi-official Kuomintang paper, Chung Yang Jih Pao, called upon the Chinese to unite still more in the struggle for the independence of the fatherland.

France Limits Imports from Japan

PARIS, May 3 (UP).—The government published a decree today, effective May 10, banning all Japanese imports except silk and camphor.

In 1938, France imported 368,000,000 francs in Japanese goods and exports to Japan only 99,500,000 francs worth.

CORRECTION

A typographical error was made in the Sam Russell dispatch from Paris on page 2 of yesterday's Daily Worker. The third sentence in the sixth paragraph should read:

"Spain will soon be once more in the fray alongside those who are fighting FOR democracy and liberty."

17 Tokio Planes Shot Down by Defenders

Huge Quantities of Arms Captured; 31,000 Japanese Killed

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

CHUNGKING, China, May 3.—Chinese troops today were closing in on Nanchang, Central China, from three sides. One column six miles from Nanchang was fighting in the vicinity of the airport which was once China's best.

In southwest Shansi Province, North China, the Japanese lost 13 planes in an air battle with Chinese near Lantian, southwest of Shan. Seventeen Japanese bombers, accompanied by 25 pursuit planes, were intercepted by 30 Chinese planes before the Japanese reached Hanchung, their objective. Only five Chinese planes were lost.

During the second half of April, 504 engagements took place on all Chinese fronts, in which 31,655 Japanese were killed. During this period the Chinese troops captured 52 machine guns, 21 artillery pieces, 1,465 rifles, 375 horses and equivalent munitions supplies.

Ninety-six Japanese armored cars and tanks were destroyed or wrecked, three ships were sunk, while 37 miles of railway track and 47 miles of highway destroyed by guerrilla units.

Detailed reports about the Nanchang fighting said that west of the city Chinese captured Chituchi, the last fortified point between Tacheng and Fengshien.

Nanchang itself is in flames, while Japanese military warehouses have been destroyed.

Southwest of Hankow the Japanese are concentrating large forces in the Anlu sectors in obvious preparations for a new offensive.

Japanese efforts to establish a foothold on the west bank of the Han River are still continuing. Such a foothold is necessary for further offensive operations here.

Southwest of Hankow the Chinese troops are driving forward around Yehow and Tungshang.

Southwest of Canton, South China, a major engagement was fought on April 29 when Japanese tried in vain to capture Heshan.

Near Goal Set For History Of Bolsheviks

4 States Exceed Quotas in Distribution of History of CPSU

With Illinois, Nebraska, Colorado and North Dakota over the top in the national campaign to distribute 100,000 copies of the History of the C.P.S.U. (Bolsheviks), and with Connecticut and West Virginia coming down the home stretch, many of the districts are preparing a final drive to fulfill their quotas by May 15.

The New England, Indiana, Utah, Maryland and Montana districts have already passed the 60 per cent mark, and such large districts as New York, Eastern and Western Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, New Jersey, Kansas, North Carolina, Florida, and Virginia are over 50 per cent.

A number of others, such as Washington, Upper Michigan, Oklahoma and Iowa are close to the half-way mark, and promise to be over by the first week of May.

Nationally, the Party has fulfilled approximately 80 per cent of the 100,000 goal set by the December Plenum of the National Committee, of the Communist Party.

However, certain weaknesses in the distribution, especially in a number of the larger districts such as California, Ohio, Minnesota and Lower Michigan, none of which has yet reached the 40 per cent mark, although some are close to it, must be quickly overcome if the task set for itself by the Party is to be accomplished.

In particular, California, with only 25 per cent of its quota of 10,000, Ohio with only 24.8 per cent of its quota of 4,500, and Lower Michigan with only 35.3 per cent of a quota of 3,000, are holding back the complete and early fulfillment of the national quota.

Alabama, Missouri, Louisiana and South Dakota are other districts which have not yet reached the 40 per cent mark.

Among the districts which are trailing, and which need the concentrated attention of their respective district committees, are Tennessee, Kentucky and Texas.

Reports from every district indicate that the History of the C.P.S.U. is being received with the greatest enthusiasm, and its study being organized on a broader and more thorough basis than any previous document, involving a large part of the general membership of the Party.

DAYTONA LYNCHERS ARRESTED FOR MURDER; MIAMI NEGROES VOTE IN FACE OF K.K.K. THREAT

Voters March Into Polling Place Under Figure of Man Hanged in Effigy; Police Fail to Act Against Klan Parade

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., May 3 (UP).—Everett and Earl Blackwelder were held on murder charges today after a coroner's jury found they "did wilfully kill" Lee Snell, Negro taxi driver.

The brothers, who had been in hiding since the lynching of Snell so they could attend the funeral of a younger brother accidentally killed by Snell's taxi, surrendered after the services yesterday.

The Blackwelders seized Snell from a constable Saturday while the Negro was being taken to a hearing on manslaughter charges in Benny Blackwelder's death.

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MIAMI, Fla., May 3.—An attempt to keep Negro voters from the polls yesterday was made by the Ku Klux Klan Monday night when they rode through Miami's Negro section, burning 25 fiery crosses, and spreading thousands of red-lettered warning cards.

A huge truck carried the crosses, and was followed by some 75 cars of hooded men. The Klan again showed its true colors, by covering the license plates of their cars, a violation of the law, but no police were to be found to arrest the law breakers.

The crosses, placed throughout the Negro section, were made of pipes, wrapped with oil rags and auto tire tubes.

The warning cards, thrown from the car windows by the hundreds, read: "Respectable negro citizens not voting tomorrow. Niggers stay away from the polls." It was signed with one-inch letters, "KKK."

HANGMEN ON PARADE

A dangling hangman's noose was held conspicuously from one of the cars.

An effigy of a Negro was hung from a power pole just on the edge of the Negro section. A large red-lettered sign pinned on the front of the figure, read: "This nigger voted." Yesterday the same effigy appeared on a power pole across the street from one of the polling places as a large number of the Negroes voted.

Although the KKK parade has ridden through the Negro section of the city on every election eve for a number of years, its activity was more violent this year than ever before. The Klan directed its threats particularly against the work of the Negro Citizens Service League, an organization interested in improving conditions of Miami's Negro population.

The Service League was largely responsible for the registration of 2,000 Negro citizens to vote in this election, an unusually large number. Although some 20,000 Negroes here are of voting age, only 180 to 200 have registered for elections in the past.

That, the Negro people are out to do their duty as citizens, and exercise their right to vote, can be seen by the fact that while during the first two hours of voting this morning, only about 8 per cent of the white population voted, a normal figure—during the same time, about 25 per cent of the Negroes had already cast their ballot.

If anything, the "warning" of the KKK made the Negroes more determined to vote, and an accelerated vote was the result.

A number of southern white people have commended Sam Solomon, Negro leader, and president of the Negro Citizens Service League.

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New Coal Shutdown Looms Tonight

Operators' Proposal Still Under Consideration; Resume 10 A.M.

Bituminous coal negotiations recessed last night until 10 A.M. this morning but no conclusions were drawn upon the counterproposal of the operators.

Seven attorneys, three from the miners and four representing operators joined the conference for two hours to express opinion upon legal points raised in the proposal. Earl Houck, head of the UMWA legal department; Thomas C. Townsend, union counsel and Lee Pressman, CIO chief counsel, were called in by the union.

After they went out of the conference, the joint committee of four from each side continued the meeting for an hour. At the conclusion of the session, Walter Robinson, chairman of the conference, only made the usual announcement that no statement can be issued.

John L. Lewis, President of the United Mine Workers, said that his union's policy committee of 130 is tentatively scheduled to meet at 12:15 today. Presumably it is expected that some action would be taken by that time on the operators' proposal, the details of which, have still not been made public.

In any event, the miners must decide in relation to the situation in the southwestern area, outside the Appalachian region, for which contracts expire at midnight tonight. This would automatically bring a stoppage of production in mines employing nearly 150,000.

The proposal of the operators which now forms the basis of the discussion, followed resignation from the operators' negotiating committee of James Walter Carter, President of the Carter Coal Co. of New York who, as spokesman for a West Virginia group of companies was the chief holdout against compromise with the union.

It was learned that strong opposition developed against his position in the group of operators he represented, which forced his resignation. The resultant proposal upon which operators now appear united, is believed to be some concession towards meeting the demand of the UMWA for protection against rival or company union encroachment.

5,000 March for Peace And Security in Seattle

Washington Commonwealth Federation and Union Leaders Participate; End of Fake Neutrality Is Demanded

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SEATTLE, Wash., May 3.—Five thousand marching men and women, gaily-decked floats and bannered automobiles rolled down Second Avenue Saturday afternoon in a May Day parade that terminated in a mass rally for peace.

Howard Costigan, executive secretary of the Washington Commonwealth Federation, addressed the crowd on the courthouse lawn and called for a united labor movement behind the President's peace program.

"On this historic May Day," Costigan said, "a mobilization called for by the great speech of President Roosevelt can and must throw back fascism."

"Passage of the Thomas Amendment now pending before Congress and preservation of the Wagner Act were vital for preservation of democracy," Costigan said, in urging widespread support for the measures.

Most impressive unit in the parade was nearly 3,000 white-capped cannery workers, the largest marching group, Filipinos, Japanese, Chinese, Whites and Negroes—all members of Cannery Workers' Local 7—marched under a slogan of solidarity: "Defeat Divide and Rule Policies!"

A massive poster was carried by the Workers Alliance. It displayed

Kern Pays Tribute To Frank P. Walsh

Paul J. Kern, president of the Municipal Civil Service Commission and president of the New York City Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild, yesterday expressed deep regret at the death of Frank P. Walsh, well-known attorney who died Tuesday.

"I know I express the feelings of all of the members of the New York City Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild," Kern said, "when I say that we deeply regret the passing from this life of Frank P. Walsh, who was a distinguished member of the legal profession, a devoted servant of the public interest, a founder and the first national president of the National Lawyers Guild."

G-Men Guard Army Arsenal Against Spies

Precautions Taken as Defense Program Is Stepped Up

ROCK ISLAND, Ill., May 3 (UP).—Vigilant against any espionage activities, the Federal Department of Justice has deployed a number of its agents about the U. S. Army Arsenal here which is stepping up production in line with President Roosevelt's defense program.

Considerable precautions are being taken to guard details of the various army implements being manufactured. Guards have been equipped with guns and new employees are subject to rigid investigation.

Col. N. F. Ramsey, commanding officer of the arsenal, declared that present employees number 3,200. In 1918, during its height of production, more than 13,000 men were employed.

The arsenal manufactures tanks, carriers for anti-aircraft guns, carriers for field artillery pieces, airplanes machine guns, tank guns, Browning machine guns, and a variety of other weapons.

If the United States were engaged in a major war, however, the Rock Island arsenal would furnish only a small percentage of weapons and munitions needed. In the event of such a conflict, this arsenal could turn out 1,000 rifles, 250 machine guns, and 500 automatic rifles a day, in addition to an undetermined number of tanks and cannon carriages.

Leaders of Harlem Communists



IN THE FOREFRONT of every struggle for Negro rights in Harlem can be found the Communist Party. Leading members of the Harlem Division of the Communist Party are shown above. Seated, left to right: Thomas Page, president of the James Ashford Branch of the Young Communist League; Charlotte Rucke, executive secretary, Milton Herndon Branch; John McNichols, executive secretary Washington Heights Section; Theodore Bassett, educational director, Harlem Division. Standing: Henry Shepard; Clara Frank, executive secretary Thomas Jefferson Branch; Audley Moore, executive secretary 21st A. D. and June Croll, educational director for Upper Harlem. —Daily Worker Photo

HARLEM C. P. SHOWS HOW TO LEAD ANTI-LYNCH DRIVE

By EUGENE GORDON

What is the Communist Party doing in the present campaign against lynching?

The Harlem Division early this year mapped out and got under way a campaign of its own, and, looking at results thus far attained, one realizes anew the profound potentialities of the Communist Party in movements supporting the rights of the under-privileged and oppressed.

In order to mobilize the broadest possible support behind the proposed legislation—the Gavan-Wagner-Nyus-Capper Anti-Lynching Bill—and to convert into action the favorable sentiments of the vast majority of citizens for the bill, the Party lined up its membership for carrying out certain definite tasks.

First of all there would be a post card campaign, in which each of the 74 branches of the Harlem Division would receive 250. On the basis of election district groups each branch was to canvass the neighborhood with these cards, getting the people to write to the congressman representing that district and demanding that he vote for passage of the bill. The card was to contain also a demand that the congressman support a Federal Bureau of Investigation probe of recent lynchings.

POSTCARD CAMPAIGN

Around the beginning of March the postal cards were sent to the House Judiciary Committee in Washington, asking that it report favorably on the bill.

Secondly, there would be a petition campaign, signatures for which would be procured through canvassing and by means of tables at the headquarters of mass organizations, or on the sidewalk when the weather permitted. The petition, addressed to John Nance Garner, President of the Senate, urged that the anti-lynching bill be passed and that while the legislation was pending investigation be made by the Federal Bureau of Investigation of each lynching.

Next, there was a form resolution with which members of each branch would approach churches, lodges, trade unions, social clubs, and other organizations in that territory. The organization would be requested to adopt the resolution, of which the following is a copy:

"Whereas, the Gavan-Wagner-Nyus-Capper Anti-Lynching Bill is designed to prevent the continuance of the national shame of lynching, which has taken a huge toll of innocent victims, and

"Whereas, the practice of lynching is in violation not only of the Constitution of the United States and the laws of the land and the true spirit of Americanism and is also in violation of the feelings shared by all people of common decency, now therefore

"Be it resolved, that (name of organization) go on record as favoring the speedy enactment of the Gavan-Wagner-Nyus-Capper Anti-Lynching Bill."

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FORD LEADS DRIVE

It was James W. Ford, chairman of the Harlem Division and member of the National Committee of the Communist Party of the United States, who indicated the form which these anti-lynching activities were to take. Since the time Ford and the Party outlined the course of action in Harlem Attorney General Murphy, according to the Associated Negro Press, has promised to investigate every lynching perpetrated in the United States. This promise, if fulfilled, satisfies one of the demands of the petition—to investigate every lynching while the federal legislation is pending.

So much for the campaign in outline. What, now, has it accomplished?

The Harlem Division 10 days ago was able to show a total of 24,441 signatures on petitions and to voice the confident expectation that, when they all came in, the number

would reach about 30,000. All the sections are offering prizes to the branches doing the best work. These prizes usually average around \$20 worth of such books as will be the beginnings of fine Marxist libraries.

The Division prize is a trip to Washington for a member of each of five branches that do the best work in the campaign. The Washington trip is for the purpose of presenting the petitions to Congress. While all these activities have been going on, there has been, naturally, an accompanying campaign of education: the real cause of lynching and why, as citizens of the United States with rights equal to those of all other citizens, the Negro people should cease tolerating the evil.

PLYMOUTH TRADITION LIVES

PLYMOUTH, Mass. (UP).—For the 318th year since the landing of the Pilgrims, a fish trap was rigged in Town Brook this spring to catch alewives when they come upstream to spawn.

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RHODE ISLAND AFL URGES LABOR UNITY, BACKS FDR ON PEACE

Adopts Full Progressive Program; Condemns 'Neutrality'; Backs Health Plan

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PROVIDENCE, R. I., May 3.—A full and well-rounded progressive program was endorsed by the Rhode Island State Federation of Labor at its 39th annual convention here last Sunday.

Most significant among the resolutions passed were those pledging support

for President Roosevelt's peace efforts; favoring repeal of the Neutrality Law or changing it to allow the President to name the aggressor nations, embargo the aggressors and aid the victims; urging speedy consummation of unity between the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations; supporting a proposed National Health and Hospitalization program; and opposing the tobacco tax (now pending in the R. I. Legislature) and all other forms of sales tax.

The Convention, held Saturday and Sunday at Eagles Hall in Providence, re-elected William J.

Connolly president of the Rhode Island A. F. of L. State Branch. Mrs. Elizabeth M. Cahir was returned as secretary-treasurer, as was also Legislative Agent John T. Burns, the latter running unopposed. The ten vice-presidencies were filled by Joseph T. Cahin, Edward Poley, Thomas Cahir, Alfred Staves, William S. Dennis O'Connell, Adam Sawyer, Arthur P. Patt, John A. White and Herbert S. Slater.

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City Planning Group Set for Housing Study

Master Plan Is Aim of Conference Called by Tugwell Commission; Detailed Survey Will Probe Cause and Cure of Slums

The City Planning Commission, under the chairmanship of Dr. Rexford G. Tugwell, took the initial step yesterday to develop a long-range master plan of slum clearance and rehabilitation of the city along ultra-modern lines when it announced a series of public hearings, beginning May 24, to ascertain future population and social and economic factors of the city of the future.

Stuart Rice, chairman of the National Statistical Board; Leon E. Truesdell, head of the division of population, Department of Census; F. K. Whelpton, of the same bureau, and Dr. Frank Lorimer, author of "Dynamics of Population," are among the experts who have been invited to attend the first hearing which will be held at City Hall.

While the Commission's primary concern will be that of planning the city's development for the next five or ten years through recurring five-year capital programs, it will approach the Master Plan problem by estimating future population far beyond 1950.

DETAILED STUDY

At the hearings the Planning Commission will consider the effect of the city's population of:

1. Birth rates, as affected by changes in age distribution, economic factors, social factors and similar causes.
2. Mortality rates, as influenced by changes in age distribution and the progress of medical science.
3. Net movements of population within the United States as affected by relative economic opportunities, social and other causes.
4. Net movements of population between the United States and other countries as affected by migration laws, relative standards of living, forms of government and similar causes; together with the extent to which future new foreign immigrants will tend to remain in New York City.

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Housing Council Sponsors Slum Photo Contest

Leading photographers and notables in the art world will serve as patrons of the photographic contest for housing pictures "How New York Lives" which is being conducted by the Citizens' Housing Council.

The contest, which closes May 15, has been arranged to show photographically the story of the city's slums and such new model housing as has been completed thus far. It will be followed by an exhibition of the winning photographs scheduled to open at the Public Library Museum of the City of New York on June 15.

Joining with the Citizens' Housing Council in sponsoring the contest are the Metropolitan Camera Club Council, the State Board of Housing, New York City Housing Authority, Welfare Council, United Neighborhood Houses and the Greater New York Federation of Churches.

Settlement Near in 39-Week Spring Strike

Negotiations for a settlement of the 39 week strike of 400 Negro workers against the Spring Products Co. of Long Island City were in progress yesterday.

Representatives of the firm and Local 91, United Furniture Workers of America, CIO, met at the Bar Association Building to examine terms for the settlement. The union was represented by Attorneys Alexander Racolin and Sidney E. Cohn.

Soviet Scientists To Study New Siberian Lake

MOSCOW (UP).—An expedition of seven Russian scientists is now on the way to study the youngest lake in the world, Lake Sarez in Soviet Central Asia.

This baby lake, which is 44 miles long, a mile wide and 1,800 feet deep, was created only 28 years ago by a tremendous earthquake which tore loose an entire mountain from one of the Pamir peaks. It slid into the bed of the Murghab River, 3,000 feet above sea level, creating a natural dam.

City Hall Gets a New Rat Catcher

'Fusion,' an Alley Cat, Replaces 'Tammany' Who Died of Senility

"Fusion," a slim black, white and tan alley cat, strode through the corridors of City Hall yesterday and arched her back at passers-by.

She was brought to the seat of municipal government by Tom Halton, watchman, to take the place of "Tammany," for years famed rat-catcher at City Hall until he collapsed and died recently from old age and high living.

Like "Tammany" the new City Hall pet "Fusion" is making her home in the reporters' room. She spent the afternoon inspecting and sniffing the newsmen's desks, the telephone booths and after she got her bearings curled up and went to sleep in the bottom drawer of a filing cabinet on top of a stack of Board of Estimate calendars.

There was considerable discussion among reporters as to what name they would bestow on their new pet. Nobody suggested the name "Tammany." The majority were for "Fusion." A minority, mostly photographers, wanted to call the cat "Butch."

But "Butch" was considered too masculine a name for a lady cat so she was christened "Fusion."

"Fusion" will have the run of City Hall as did her predecessor "Tammany." She will have privileges of the floor at all Council and Board of Estimate meetings. Her chief job, however, will be to keep the rats from overrunning City Hall basement.

President Signs Deficiency Bill Of 162 Million

WASHINGTON, May 3 (UP).—President Roosevelt today signed the Second Deficiency Bill carrying \$162,319,059 in funds, of which a considerable portion were allocated to the Army and Navy for procuring national defense materials.

Among the allocations was a fund of approximately \$70,000,000 for acquiring materials for the Army and approximately \$36,000,000 for buying supplies for the Navy.

Queens Youth Hits Race Bias

By unanimous vote of the executive board, the Queens Youth Assembly passed a resolution endorsing the action of the City Council in its appointment of an investigating committee which will study the charges of employment anti-Negro discrimination leveled against the New York Worlds Fair.

"From the reports of individuals who belong to federated clubs of our Assembly," said the council, "we find strong evidence of discrimination against Negroes, Italians and Jews in particular, and against Queens residents in general. In view of the fact that the Fair brings new problems to Queens, we who represent a great portion of the Queens youth should certainly do what we can to aid this committee which is working in our interests."

Wholesale Union Set to Strike

Strike action against 45 wholesale shoe establishments employing 250 workers was authorized yesterday by the membership of Local 65, United Wholesale and Warehouse Employees, CIO, when the contract expires Monday.

Negotiations in progress for two weeks, have failed to result in an agreement. The union seeks guaranteed 52 weeks employment during the year, the 40-hour, five-day week, \$21 minimum wage for office workers, \$25 minimum for warehousemen, two weeks vacation with pay and a \$5 flat increase for all workers earning above the minimum.

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Somervell Hits Slur Against WPA Output

Ridicules Testimony of Tory Stoges in WPA Probe

(Continued from Page 1)

proportions is another factor that blocks efficiency measures.

"It is perfectly obvious that with the present legislation we could never be as efficient as private industry," he said.

Referring to the various figures on WPA costs that were given by the committee, Somervell said he "couldn't find a single cost figure that was accurate."

He said most of them were "75 to 100 per cent in error."

The cost figure of Public School 64 which was given by the committee is exaggerated by at least \$100,000, he said.

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BEN DAVIS REPLIES TO ATTACK ON COMMUNIST PARTY BY RENEGADE IN PITTSBURGH COURIER

Ben Davis, Jr., editorial board member of the Daily Worker, has replied to an attack against him published in the March 18 issue of the Pittsburgh Courier. His letter to the editor of the Courier follows:

To the Editor of the Pittsburgh Courier:

The March 18th issue of the Pittsburgh Courier carries a libelous article by George S. Schuyler, purporting to be an interview with the discredited renegade expelled from the Communist Party, Harold Herndon case, the sharecropper in the deep South, and countless battles going on today for the full citizenship of the Negro people in the political, social and economic life of the nation. There are the unprincipled lies of Schuyler and such renegades as Williams cannot hide these facts.

The real danger in the article is that it seeks to whitewash the Republican Party of Hoover and Hearst, representatives of the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo fascist axis in this country. In view of the coming 1940 elections, the Republicans are using all sorts of demagoguery in an effort to destroy the overwhelming support for the progressive New Deal among the Negro people. They want to undermine support for those New Deal measures which have materially aided the Negro people. They attack the Communist Party because it is the most active or-

leader, whose selection as the vice-presidential candidate in 1932 and 1936, symbolizes the fact that the Communist Party is the Party of the Negro people. These are among the reasons why the Communist Party is daily winning an ever increasing influence and respect among the Negro people. All of the unprincipled lies of Schuyler and such renegades as Williams cannot hide these facts.

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Chinese Aviatrix Cracks Up



"THE SPIRIT OF CHINA" monoplane piloted by Hilda Yen, who is touring the United States in behalf of her native land, shown where it fell in an Orchard near Montgomery, Alabama, while she was flying to Birmingham last week. Miss Yen escaped with minor injuries and will continue on her tour this week.

2 Anti-Discrimination Bills Passed by Senate at Albany

Measures Are First of 11 Sponsored by Urban Group

(Special to the Daily Worker) ALBANY, May 3.—Two anti-discrimination measures, relating to Civil Service Employment, were passed by the Senate today as Civic groups continued to press for the full equal rights program introduced early in the present session of the Legislature.

The measures adopted today are two of eleven progressive bills sponsored by the temporary Commission to investigate the condition of the Urban Colored Population after a two years study of discriminatory practices.

A third bill enlarging the definition of public places where racial or color bias may not be shown has been reported on the floor of the Senate. The remainder are still locked in Republican controlled committees.

One measure approved by the Upper Chamber provides that an appointing officer who selects an applicant for civil service who is graded lower than others on the list must state his reasons and swear that the choice was not made on the basis of race, color or creed. A similar law was defeated in the Republican controlled Constitutional Convention last year.

GRANTS PUBLIC HEARING The other bill provides that a civil servant who has been dismissed or denied promotion because of racial discrimination may petition for a public hearing before the state civil service Commission. In the event the petition is upheld, reinstatement or promotion is ordered, depending on the grievance.

The Republicans have failed to report out a bill which puts teeth in these provisions by making it a misdemeanor for an appointing official to discriminate on racial grounds.

In fact, the measures adopted today must be regarded little more than a gesture toward equal rights. Considerable public pressure is needed to force out of Republican controlled committees the most vital commission bills which penalize public utilities, the worst offenders, and forbid discrimination in housing, education and legal contracts.

Senator Schwartzwald, New York City Democrat and head of the Temporary Commission, introduced the bills passed today.

SENATE TORIQUES

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ALBANY, May 3.—State Senator Hanley today introduced a bill to

forbid the wearing of Nazi uniforms in this state.

The bill was introduced by Sen. Hanley at the request of Edwin F. Jaekle, Chairman of the Republican State Executive Committee.

Meanwhile, preparations were under way to bring about adjournment of the legislature by May 12. The Hanley measure, in addition to outlawing Nazi uniforms, sauties and drill formations, makes it unlawful for the proprietors of public halls, gardens or theatres to permit an assemblage of persons so attired.

Meanwhile, the Assembly narrowly defeated the Republican-sponsored peace bill which forbids "interference" with scab truck drivers on the Girdersque grounds of the "right to work."

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Mayor Asks Ruling Upon Pickpocket Bill

Favors Plan to Protect Fair But Doubts Its Constitutionality

The Kinsley Bill, aimed to bar pickpockets from the World's Fair and passed by the City Council, was looked upon with favor yesterday by Mayor LaGuardia but he declined to sign it because he doubted its constitutionality.

He asked John J. Sullivan, Director of Public Safety at the Fair who appeared at a statutory hearing favoring the bill, to have the World's Fair counsel to submit a brief on the measure.

The bill would make any person "previously convicted as a pickpocket or thief, jostler or shop-lifter" who enters the Fair liable to conviction on a charge of trespassing and subject to six months imprisonment.

The Mayor said that while the aims of the bill were good, he was not sure that the City Council had the right to apply penalties through law in such cases.

Tories Push for Early Adjournment to Stop Progressive Bills

the trucking industry and prevent the existence of legitimate trade unions," he asserted.

Replying to the "right to work" thesis of the Hoover Republicans, Assemblyman Davidson New York City Democrat, declared that this right "must be qualified by the right of others to work at decent wages."

The measure was defeated by a vote of 66-66, Assemblyman Pease indicated he would bring the bill up again in the closing rush of the legislature.

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The Rules Committee has its axe poised for similar executions. At a meeting today it decided to report out for action tomorrow the Wicks measure to destroy collective bargaining on city-owned transit lines.

The legislature adopted all budget balancing taxes with the exception of the two cents-a-pack cigarette tax which will be acted on early next week.

On Monday, the Republicans will hold a conference on the proposed state-wide sales tax which is to be the major GOP pounce before adjournment.

Also scheduled for action next week are housing and unemployment insurance bills. The Republicans plan to hamstring the state's housing program by allowing less than \$40,000,000 of the authorized \$300,000,000 housing fund to be used to guarantee low-cost housing loans.

Even this begrudging sum is twice what they originally intended.

A number of Democrats have indicated that they will press for the full amount.

WRONG NUMBER; IT'S MUSIC

MANCHESTER, Conn. (UP).—For a while a proprietor of a soda shop was uncertain whether he had a pay-telephone or a pay-radio in his place. A patron deposited a coin in the telephone and got a dance band broadcasting. Four others tried it with the same result before the telephone resumed normal service.

1st Delegate To Parley of YCL Arrives

Herman Mazer Is from California; Says His AFL Union Wants Labor Unity; Surprised at Silk in New York

The first delegate to the Young Communist League's National Convention, which opens in Madison Square Garden Thursday evening, May 11, has already arrived in New York. Herman Mazer had to leave early to get here on time. He came from California.

Urge Support To Youth Rally May 11

Krumbein, Amter Issue Appeal in Name Communist Party

The New York State Communist Party, through its chairman, I. Amter, and secretary, Charles Krumbein, yesterday issued an appeal to all its members to attend the opening of the National Convention of the Young Communist League on May 11 at Madison Square Garden. The appeal said:

The YCL has become one of the most important mass organizations of the young people of this country, truly fighting for the realization of the World of Tomorrow, the theme of the World's Fair, for the young people of today.

The New York State Committee of the Communist Party gives full support to the progressive movement and particularly the Young Communist League, and calls upon its members as well as their sympathizers to make the Madison Square Garden meeting a huge rally of New York progressives—both adult and youth.

Our Party members should see to it that their shop-mates and fellow trade-unionists, especially the young workers, attend the meeting. People from the neighborhood should be induced to attend, particularly the young people. Tickets can be secured at all Section headquarters.

Let us make the Madison Sq. Garden meeting a rousing reception to the thousands of delegates who will attend the YCL Convention. Let them feel that all New York progressives are behind them by packing the hall. Welcome to the young people!

NEW YORK STATE COMMITTEE—COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A.

I. AMTER, State Chairman
CHARLES KRUMBEIN, State Secretary

House Body Asks Old Age Pensions Start Next Year

WASHINGTON, May 3 (UP).—The House ways and means committee tonight agreed to recommend changes in the social security law to authorize payment of old age annuities in 1940 instead of 1942.

The proposed revisions supplement a committee agreement to freeze present payroll taxes which finance the old age payments, for a period of three years. This saving to industry and labor, if approved by Congress, is estimated at \$25,000,000 (MG).

The new program as announced by committee Chairman Robert L. Doughton, D. N. C. in the presence of Chairman Arthur J. Altmeyer of the Social Security Board, includes:

Placing a top limit of \$3,000 a year on wages subject to the payroll tax for payment of unemployment compensation benefits.

Provisions enabling states which have built up adequate unemployment compensation reserve funds to reduce the present three per cent tax which raises this money.

Payment of old age annuities two years ahead of schedule and other liberalization of this project recommended by the security board.

Liberalizing federal grants to states for aid to dependent children so as to place these on a 50-50 instead of the present 66 2/3-33 1/3 basis.

Navy Increases Enlistment Period To Six Years

WASHINGTON, May 3 (UP).—The Navy, in an order effective July 1, today extended the basic enlistment period for U. S. seamen from four to six years to insure permanency of enlisted strength and protect the government's investment in training costs.

The order has been under consideration for many months. Officials said the Navy is receiving about 15 applications for every applicant accepted, the highest ratio in history, and that they felt that this is an opportune time to invoke the new procedure to protect high personnel standards in the service.

Twenty-four year old Herman, a glazier from Los Angeles, is one of California's 38 delegates. He is president of his branch of the YCL in the West Adams neighborhood of Los Angeles and an active member of his union, the International Alliance of Theatre and Stage Employees, Local 37, A. F. of L.—whose local membership is strong for unity between the C. I. O. and A. F. of L. Herman's father, mother and brother came with him to New York.

"The old man signed up in the Communist Party just a week before time for me to come on here," he said, "so the whole family celebrated by coming along. They want to hear Earl Browder in Madison Square Garden next Thursday."

SILK SHOCKS HIM Herman's dad is an auto worker. His 22-year-old brother, who is also a member of the Y. C. L., works as a glazier, too.

Herman explained his work. "We make artificial landscapes in the studio," he said. They call it "green work."

He was shocked to see so much silk on the streets of New York. In Hollywood, he said, because many movie stars have abandoned silk in their adherence to the boycott against Japanese products, large numbers of the "rank and file" of Los Angeles women-folk have followed suit.

Herman came into the Y. C. L. when he was a student in the Manuel Arta High School in L. A.

"That was during Red Hines' reign of terror," he related. "First time I got interested to find out what the movement was all about was because of the brutal attacks upon workers demonstrating."

His branch, the Nat Turner Branch of the Y. C. L. in Los Angeles, has completed an "Aircraft Project" for the Y. C. L. National Convention. All members of the branch worked hard to make it a real contribution—doing extensive research, visiting aircraft plants, interviewing workers.

Herman said the Y. C. L. in Los Angeles is now concentrating particularly on the waterfront—building branches in San Pedro, where already a fast-growing number of young marine workers have come into the League.

One particular bright spot in California these days, he observed, is the attitude of the American-born Japanese, most of whom are against Japan's invasion of China. The Y. C. L. now has a good number of young Japanese-Americans in its ranks, he said.

Chair Worn; Executions Are Delayed

BOSTON, May 3 (UP).—Two youths condemned to die for killing a Somerville storekeeper were saved temporarily today because Massachusetts' electric chair is worn out.

Gov. Stanshall recommended and the State Executive Council unanimously approved a postponement of execution until July 6 for Wallace W. Green, 21, and Walter St. Sauver, 19. They were convicted of killing William Phillips, 53, Somerville storekeeper, during a \$3.50 holdup.

Executions: Robert Elliott complained about the antiquated chair. He said if the chair was used again he or some of the witnesses might be electrocuted along with the condemned person.

Electrical Union Puts Servel on Unfair List

The United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, CIO, yesterday placed the products of the Servel Co. of Evansville, Ind., on the unfair list, accusing the firm of refusing to abide by a National Labor Relations Board order for collective bargaining.

The company makes the Servel Electrolux Refrigerator, only refrigerator made to operate by gas.

The union charged that the firm has bitterly opposed union affiliation by its 2,000 employees, made numerous attempts to establish company unions, used spies, and continued to coerce employees after a short strike a few weeks ago.

PEDESTRIANS' CHAMPION PASADENA, Cal. (UP).—Pedestrians at last have found a champion. The "T-men" branch of the Pasadena District Safety Council has decided to concentrate its efforts for 90 days on taking the license numbers, for prosecution, of all drivers usurping pedestrians' rights. The "T-men" reported that this offense rates No. 1 in traffic violations in Pasadena.

Chicago Typos Flay Fitzpatrick Attack on Guild

Local Rejects His Demand That Union Repudiate Strike Support Committee; Give Strikers Best Wishes

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, May 3.—Interference by the AFL top leadership in the Chicago Newspaper Guild's strike against Hearst's Evening American and Herald & Examiner was roundly rebuffed by Chicago Typographical Union No. 16 at its regular monthly meeting yesterday.

The union, second largest printing trades local in the world, defied a threat by President William Green of the A. F. of L. and President John Fitzpatrick of the Chicago Federation of Labor, to expel it from the Chicago Federation unless the local repudiated those of its members who, as members of the "A. F. of L. Committee to Aid the Guild Strikers," have supported the five-month-old strike of the CIO Guild.

On motion of Henry Rosemont, a printer employed in the Guild-struck Hearst plant, and with the support of their president, Ralph E. Fischer, the union membership upset their executive board, which had demanded support of the Hearst management against the Guild.

A letter from Fitzpatrick, threatening to expel No. 16, as the AFL already has expelled other A. F. of L. locals for allowing their members to support the Guild strike, precipitated yesterday's action by the printers.

In substitution for an executive board resolution backing the management, the union passed a resolution ordering its officials to use their good offices to bring the management and the Guild together for settlement. The printers ignored any question of denying their members the right to support the Guild strike.

The resolution by the executive board had demanded that the membership go on record as declaring the struck papers "fair."

The Guild to date has enlisted the support of 240 unions of the A. F. of L., 2,140 unions of the CIO and 203 unions of the railroad brotherhoods and independent unions. Throughout the strike the Guild has had the support of the Catholic, Jewish and Protestant clergy.

Whereas, it would have cost the Hearst management more hundreds of dollars to have avoided the strike, the record shows that it has expended, directly and indirectly, in losses suffered and in costs assumed, at least \$3,000,000 to fight the strike.

FACT WON FROM HEARST IN SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Wash., May 3.—Pay raises amounting to approximately \$35,000 annually were granted in an agreement concluded this week between the Seattle Newspaper Guild and Hearst's Seattle Post-Intelligencer. All white collar workers are included in the industrial contract which covers 235 employees.

Simultaneous with the Guild contract was another signed with the Newspaper Drivers and Helpers, a teamster affiliate. Prior to negotiations the A. F. of L. and CIO unions amicably settled the jurisdictional question which sprang up when the Guild began organizing on an industrial basis two years ago. While negotiations were being conducted the two unions conferred on working conditions and wages.

The contracts secured the consecutive five-day 40-hour week and severance pay ranging as high as 26 weeks after twelve and a half years of service. Wage increases ranged from \$2 to \$15 per week.

Yorkville Youth Demonstrate for Housing Measure

The young people of Yorkville are staging a dramatic demonstration at 8 o'clock tonight in front of the neighborhood Health Center, 411 East 9th St., in order to bring to the attention of their Assemblyman, Abbot Low Maffett, the need for passing the Desmond-Moffett Housing Bill.

The Yorkville area of Manhattan is often referred to as "Park Avenue's Back Yard" because it contains, at one and the same time, some of the wealthiest areas in the world and the third worst slum area in New York City.

Third Avenue runs through Yorkville as the line of demarcation and to the east it is the other side of the tracks. In less than two square miles hundreds of thousands of Czechs, Germans, Hungarians, Italians and many other nationalities are forced to live in horrible slum conditions.

We extend our heartfelt sympathies to the wife and family of NICK ISAACS who died Wednesday, May 3rd. BRONX BOROUGH COMM. INT'L WORKERS ORDER.

Invalid Gets Encouragement From President; He Needed It Because He Lost Relief Same Day

By John Meldon

Irving Gross, who is a paralytic and lives in a slum tenement at 189 E. Second St. on the East Side was thrilled several days ago when he woke up in the morning and found a letter from President Roosevelt wishing him luck and telling him "let nothing discourage you."

The thrill lasted for several hours — until he received word from the Home Relief Bureau that he had been taken off the rolls.

Irving Gross is 37 years old, and the past 18 of those miserable years have been spent either in a bed or a wheel chair. He is alone, except for the kindly help he gets from a roommate, Rudolph Moskowitz and friends in the slum neighborhood. Their help is necessarily confined to assisting Irving up and down stairs on those rare occasions he goes outside in his wheel chair, or helping him shave and such things.

The neighbors can't do much more because they are poverty stricken themselves. But Irving was cut off from the relief for allegedly "receiving assistance" from the neighborhood — food, money and so on.

HOLIDAY GIFTS

As a matter of fact, the "assistance" Irving gets is the kind described above, and the only

food of any amount he ever got was last Passover, when stores and friends along Second St. sent him matzos, a little wine and holiday delicacies, which Irving enjoyed very much.

"That's what they mean by 'assistance,'" he told the writer. "My roommate, who is a swell fellow and out of a job himself, often acts as a nurse for me, and cooks meals sometimes, but that's all the help we can give each other down here on the East Side."

Irving was born and raised on the same block where he now lives. Parents died some years back, both heartbroken over his condition, and driven deeper and deeper into poverty because they spent every cent they could lay hands on for doctors, specialists and hospitals.

The East Side slums, always merciless once it has a grip on a victim, refused to release Irving from its diseased stranglehold.

It all started when he was seven years old. He was stricken with diphtheria and it did something to his spine. Surgeons' knives worked on his feet which began to assume a twisted shape. For a while he was able to scuttle around on crutches. Medical science thirty years ago was helpless, however, when the patient had to live in dank vermin ridden tenements, and lacked a proper

diet of fresh fruits, vegetables and other body building foods.

Today, Irving Gross is crippled. He sees little of the outside world, and like many persons the world over in his position he has developed hobbies to while away the long painful hours of living. One of them is stamp collecting—and that's how he came to write President Roosevelt, who is also a stamp fan.

A NOTED VISITOR

Irving also collects autographed photographs of celebrities and has a room full of them. Several years back (he still talks about it proudly) one of the celebrities came down to the East Side to visit him in his room. They talked about the East Side, among other things, because the visitor himself had been raised there.

When he got up to leave, he gave Irving a beautiful fountain pen and a book. The visitor was one of America's greatest actors, Paul Muni.

That may not seem terribly exciting to a lot of people, but to a shut-in like Irving, such occurrences are things to be treasured and remembered.

His stamp collecting takes him to far-away lands—that he'll never see, and those the President sent him will henceforth top his collection.

The President's letter, which ar-

rived on that fateful day the Home Relief Bureau decided Irving did not need its assistance was written by Roosevelt's private secretary, Margaret LeHand, and read:

"Dear Mr. Gross:

"The President has received your letter and has noted its contents with a great deal of sympathetic interest. He has requested me to send you the enclosed engraving and the stamps for your collection, and to express the hope that you will let nothing discourage you in your efforts toward improvement."

"Sincerely yours,
"M. A. LE HAND,
"Private Secretary."

Well, Irving Gross is discouraged, but he intends to fight. Yesterday he was rallying his loyal friends in the neighborhood and getting his wheel chair ready to picket the Home Relief Bureau at 97 Mercer Street.

Up until the time the bureau cut him off, he was getting \$31.40 a month, out of which he had to pay \$15 monthly rent for his slum tenement. Last year, the Workers Alliance came to his aid and won him \$3 additionally per week for a specially needed diet.

Now, all that's to be taken away—unless the Home Relief Bureau is made to change its mind on the case of Irving Gross.

Furriers Board Votes Leather Union Merger

Recommendation Now Goes to Fur Workers Union Convention Opening Here Sunday—Move Already Approved by Leather Workers Assn.

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ATLANTIC CITY, May 3.—The general executive board of the International Fur Workers Union, CIO, today unanimously voted to recommend to its convention merger with the National Leather Workers Association, also a CIO affiliate. The board, meeting here at Hotel President, acted on reports by Vice-President Irving Gross and organizer Frank Brownstone on the proposed merger. The recommendation will be made to the furriers' convention which opens here on May 7.

The proposed amalgamation of the two unions has already been approved by the CIO and voted on favorably by the National Leather Workers' Association which met last week in convention in Lynn, Mass.

PLAN UNION DRIVE

The merger has been discussed for the past several months to settle jurisdictional claims by both organizations and to make possible the organization of the leather industry, which in many respects is similar to the fur tanning industry. The International Fur Workers Union, with a membership of more than 40,000 workers, has organized about 85 per cent of the industry. The leather workers' union has a membership of 15,000 workers. There are about 60,000 unorganized leather workers.

Merger of the two organizations into the proposed International Fur and Leather Workers Union of the United States and Canada would result in a combined membership of more than 55,000 workers with a potential membership of 100,000 workers.

If the merger is ratified by the fur union convention, the merger will become effective immediately and result in an organization drive for the leather industry.

Philippine Commander

WASHINGTON, May 3 (UP).—The War Department today assigned Maj. Gen. Robert McC. Beck, Assistant Chief of Staff in charge of Operations and Training, to be Commanding General of the Philippine Division with headquarters at Fort William McKinley.

FIRE BURNS ACROSS RIVER

CHICAGO (UP).—A grass fire had far-reaching effects when flames, reached the surface of the Calumet river, ignited grease floating on the surface, which in turn caused explosion of three large gas mains, one of which was leaking.

New Counsel



ABRAHAM FORTAS who resigned as assistant director of the public utilities division of the Securities and Exchange Commission to accept the appointment to the post of General Counsel for the Public Works Administration. He is 28 years old and is a native of Memphis, Tennessee.

Troopers Remove Autoist's Body From Croton Dam

CROTON (UP)—HUDSON, N. Y., May 3.—State troopers and volunteers worked five hours in the icy water at the base of the Croton Dam spillway early today to remove the body of Max Jauch, of 27-21 Twenty-Third St., Astoria, Queens, from the wreckage of his automobile which plunged over the dam last night.

Trooper Harold Galvin and Burin Munson and Allen McDougall were treated for exposure. Galvin and the others were lowered over the dam by ropes and cut away wreckage to remove the body. Two hundred persons watched from atop the dam.

I. R. A. Writer To Speak at Connolly Rally

Peadar O'Donnell Will Lead Memorial for Irish Leader

Peadar O'Donnell, former officer in the Irish Republican Army and writer, will lecture on the teachings of James Connolly at a rally to memorialize the 22nd anniversary of the Irish martyr's execution Friday night, May 12, in the Transport Workers Union Auditorium, 153 W. 64th St.

O'Donnell is considered one of the outstanding leaders in the movement for Irish independence, having risen from a private to executive member of the Irish army. More recently he has been identified with the struggle of the small farmers and last year led the Irish migratory workers fight for improved wages.

He joined the Irish Transport Workers Union as an organizer in 1918 and worked for two years. Constant badgering by English authorities finally compelled him to enter an active service unit of the underground Irish Republican Army.

He was one of the signers to the manifesto which in 1922 called the wide-spread movement convention to protest the treaty.

O'Donnell was elected to the Four Courts executive that was set up by the convention.

O'Donnell was imprisoned but broke jail in 1924.

Atlantic Storm Danger

WASHINGTON, May 3 (UP).—The Weather Bureau, predicting winds of gale force along the New England seaboard, today ordered storm warnings from Block Island to Provincetown, Mass.

Penna. C.I.O. Backs F.D.R. Peace Plea

Convention Delegates Hear Brophy Stress Rank and File Activity to Bring Labor Unity and Support for New Deal

(Special to the Daily Worker)

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 3.—One thousand delegates meeting here for the second annual convention of the Pennsylvania Congress for Industrial Organizations, unanimously went on record supporting President Roosevelt's peace plan, the Thomas amendment to the Neutrality Act, and condemning fascist aggressors as treaty violators.

CIO Requests Congress Kill The Hobbs Bill

Concentration Camp Bill Cited as Menace to Civil Liberties

In a letter to all members of the House of Representatives, the Congress of Industrial Organizations requested the defeat of the Hobbs Bill, H. R. 5643, to establish detention camps for non-citizens ordered deported, but for whom passport cannot be obtained to effect their deportation.

The letter, signed by Lee Pressman, General Counsel, reads as follows:

"On behalf of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, I desire to express to you our opposition to H. R. 5643. This bill would authorize the detention of any alien who has been ordered deported, but who through no fault of his own, is unable to secure a passport from the government of his native country. The result would be that such individuals would be placed in concentration camps for the rest of their lives. This procedure is a violation of the fundamental principles of justice and in contravention of our constitutional guarantees.

"If any alien has violated the laws of this country, there are ample police measures, both federal and state, by which he can be convicted and duly punished.

"We feel that the civil liberties of all citizens of our country are menaced when such unconstitutional measures are directed against aliens, and we know that frequently alien bills are used to intimidate and threaten workers who are exercising their ordinary rights to join with their fellow workers in the improvement of their living conditions. We therefore oppose this bill and urge you to vote against its passage."

Death Rate Up; Pulmonary Cases Drop Sharply

The death rate from all causes in New York City showed a slight increase last week although the number of new cases of pneumonia and influenza and death from these causes took a sharp decline, the Health Department reported yesterday.

The report of Registrar of Records Thomas J. Duffield filed with Health Commissioner John L. Rice showed that new pneumonia and influenza cases last week number 436 as compared with 559 the preceding week. Deaths declined from 107 to 89.

Auto Workers Strike B'klyn Body Works

400 Out As Employers Break Off Talks—Aid Is Pledged

A general strike of 400 automobile mechanics in the body and fender collision shops throughout Brooklyn was called yesterday by Local 259, United Automobile Workers, CIO, after the United Collision Shop Owners Association, representing 40 employers, refused to continue negotiations.

The union, which has established strike headquarters at 98 Flatbush Ave., 437 Ralph Ave. and 803 46th St., Brooklyn, said the workers are seeking the 44-hour week, five and a half day week, an average wage increase of 15 per cent; and improved working conditions.

Jack Shalnick, chairman of the strike committee, said that attempts to continue negotiations after the agreement expired last week failed when the management refused to continue arbitration proceedings.

Shalnick said the strikers had received a pledge of support from the Transport Workers Union in the name of its mechanics in taxi and bus shops.

Floods Uncover Fossils

CINCINNATI, Ohio, May 3 (UP).—The April floods uncovered the bones of several hundred Ice Age animals in the noted fossil bed of Big Bone Lick, Ky. University of Cincinnati anthropologists announced today.

AUTOS CORRAL COYOTES

MERCED, Cal. (UP).—Coyotes in this area have good cause to become automobile shy. The reason is a new way of hunting the animals originated by several local men who, using automobiles, corralled a large coyote much in the style of the old-time roundups of horseback days.

BEN GOLD TELLS OF FUR UNION'S GREAT GROWTH ON EVE OF ATLANTIC CITY CONVENTION; DRIVE FOR 100,000 MEMBERS

By George Morris

Grown to a membership of nearly 45,000 the International Fur Workers Union of the CIO, comes to its 13th Convention at Atlantic City Sunday night, with a record that no other union can beat.

The two years since the furriers held their Chicago convention were hard upon labor unions. With the depression and open-shop attacks many of them were satisfied to hold their own.

But the fur workers increased their membership by about 50 per cent, organized all of the trade in this country, established the 35-hour week in the entire industry, and raised wages in all cities by from 10 to 25 per cent.

Dynamic Ben Gold, International President, pictured to me his union's recent advance, as he prepared to depart for Atlantic City. Gold is one of America's most colorful labor leaders. It would be difficult to find another one whose daily life is as intimately tied in with the problems of his workers. Since his early youth, when he first began at his trade, the name of Gold figured prominently in the active rank and file movement in the industry. He led the fight against the clique of gangsters that controlled the union from its conception. Despite the difficult struggle and frequent reverses, his leadership at last united the workers in the industry in one union in 1936.

From then on it was a continuous advance. Today's situation was a dream only three years ago.

LOOK TO NEW ADVANCE

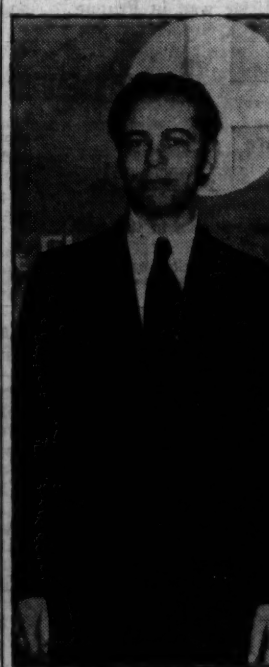
But Gold and the union's united leadership, are not sitting back complacently. They are looking to far bigger things.

"We've been able to advance during the depression. We are surely in better shape to advance now," he said.

He went into details to explain what difficulties the union had to conquer. The fur industry, chiefly a luxury industry, was hardest hit. "Surprisingly, we had more garments costing from \$1,000 to \$2,500 each to make than during other times," he said. "But the bulk of our trade works on garments of \$200 or less. That's where we were hit. Only about 10,000 of our members were employed. Most had only a few weeks of work a season. But, in place of wage cuts we won increases."

As examples he pointed to the 10 per cent increase and other improvements the union won after the general strike of 20,000 in New York last year. Dressers of Brooklyn's local 2 and 3 won increases ranging up to 40 per cent; Pittsburgh, 18 per cent; Chicago, 10 per cent, and likewise with the other cities.

The union's contracts are almost everywhere closed shop. Piece work has been wiped out. Equal division



BEN GOLD

of work, from May 1 to January 1, which means stronger job security, has been won in New York, Nazi

skins are banned by the union. Some progress has also been made in providing work for the older and usually victimized workers.

HOLLANDER UNIONIZED

One of the chief tasks that the Chicago convention set for the fur union was to organize the Hollander plants. This company, largest in the industry, employing 2,000 workers, has been open shop for 25 years, Gold said. In the past the union spent huge sums of money and workers even lost their lives in attempts to organize the company's plants.

"But several months after our last convention we organized Hollander," Gold said, "and we won increases of from 7 1/2 per cent to 15 per cent for the workers. Instead of a company union there is a closed shop."

"What will you do next?" I then asked.

"Next—we are going to unite with the leather workers for a huge International Fur and Leather Workers Union of the CIO," he replied.

Gold explained that there are from 50,000 to 60,000 workers in tanneries of whom only 15,000 are organized in the National Leather Workers Association of the CIO. Back in the early days of the union when a charter was granted by the late President Gompers of the A. F. of L., the fur union's jurisdiction was limited to fur, because there was a tiny leather

union with an A. F. of L. charter. But the industry remains unorganized and its processing is related to the work of the furriers.

"We have been assured a broader industrial charter by the CIO," Gold said. "The leather workers at their convention in Boston already voted to merge with us. So our convention at Atlantic City will also be a merger convention, and a step toward an international of 100,000."

Gold agreed that his union will face some tough customers among the large companies engaged in treating leather and hides.

"But we have had tough babies to beat before," he said shaking his finger. "And, after all, that's what the CIO program means. We protect our gains as we broaden organization."

MORE PROTECTION

Then, there is still much to do on improving the conditions of the fur workers. The convention will take up the still great unemployment and the need of the 30-hour week, he said. There is still much to do to establish job security, especially in New York. Also, Gold stressed, the union is determined to tackle the industry's health hazards. Based upon a study of industrial diseases among fur workers, and results of the mass x-raying of the union's membership now being carried through, a campaign for enactment of appropriate legislation will be launched.

Gold said the key to the union's success is its unity. The 1937 convention at Chicago saw the completion of unity in the union's ranks. Officers and an executive board were elected, representative of all constructive elements. A factional opposition of Lovestonites, Trotskyites and other disruptive elements was isolated from the membership, and thoroughly exposed.

UNITY DID IT

"With the union democratic and united we put all our forces to work," Gold said.

Socialists and others who were identified with the former right wing leadership who are on the present executive board or hold official positions, contributed a great deal to the success of the organization," Gold said.

"They repudiated the destructive policy of the Daily Forward (New York Old Guard Jewish language paper), the Trotskyites and Lovestonites who have been trying to split our union," Gold said. "They cooperated as people who had the interest of the union in mind above all else."

The Atlantic City convention of delegates from about 70 locals will in one respect be a celebration of the union's advance. In the other, it will be a step towards still greater unity in the fur and leather industry and will feature the problems involving the welfare of 100,000 workers.

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Smoke-Screen for Hunger

The revelation that H. R. Burton, the man who is "investigating" WPA for Rep. Woodrum's committee, was formerly a high official in the employ of the fascist Coughlin, adds the finishing touches to the witch-hunt now being conducted on tax payers' money.

Setting loose a former (if not present) assistant of a fascist to hunt for "subversion" in connection with the WPA, would be a big laugh if it were not so serious. It goes hand in hand with the action of Congressmen like Woodrum, who are supposed to be eager to "rid WPA of politics," themselves trying to intimidate WPA workers because of their political and other affiliations.

The newspapers yesterday carried a revealing and crucial item: 200,000 more workers to be fired from WPA by May 8, with another 200,000 dismissals in June. These firings are the results of the savage slashes made by Woodrum and the other Tories in the President's appropriation. While the reports of Woodrum's red-scare circus get the front page of the papers, the accounts of the wholesale dismissals are relegated to an inconspicuous spot on the inside.

That, in fact, is the whole purpose behind the Woodrum committee and its cries of "economy," "waste" and "Communism." All this is a smoke-screen to hide from the country the fact that, unless another appropriation is made at once, an appalling number of families are to be rendered penniless—with disastrous economic consequences to the communities where they live.

Boycott Standard Oil

Massachusetts witnessed one of its most brutal scenes in recent years on Tuesday when police from a score of cities descended upon the town of Everett, attacked the picketing seamen with clubs and tear gas and sent 36 of them to the hospital with severe injuries.

It was Standard Oil—the mighty Rockefeller corporation—that arranged for this state-wide mobilization to break the picket lines around the company's tankers. It is the powerful influence of Rockefeller money that has likewise managed to rivet down a virtual censorship in the newspapers on a strike that extends along the entire Atlantic seaboard and the Gulf.

The best assistance that can be given the seamen of the National Maritime Union in their battle against the tycoons of Wall Street, is to clamp down a boycott on Esso and Socony gas and on all other products of Standard Oil.

The Pulitzer Prize Awards

With one or two exceptions, this year's Pulitzer Prize awards follow the formula set years ago by the committee which gratuitously decides just what is "best and wholesome in American life."

Robert E. Sherwood's play, "Abe Lincoln in Illinois," was too conspicuous an achievement even for the myopic judges of the Pulitzer Prize Committee to ignore. The same goes for Carl Van Doren's warm and comprehensive study of Benjamin Franklin.

But the other awards reveal once again that conformity and mediocrity—if not downright reaction—are the guiding criteria of the committee.

The awards for the best editorial and cartoon show the same passion for that which is safe, conservative and colorless.

Although the Pulitzer prize judges would indignantly reject any imputation of political bias in their choice of winners, it is significant that the prize for journalism went to a man whose contribution consisted of an attempt to "smear" the New Deal by a series on the WPA in Kentucky.

Uncomfortable Similarity

The Neutrality Act died last night, expiring according to the agreement written into it May 1, 1937.

It was supposed to keep America "neutral." But every honest American knows by now that it has brought the fires of war closer to our shores. It has encouraged the fascist aggressions by helping them—with war supplies and depriving their victims of aid. President Roosevelt recently admitted as much in a press interview.

In this connection, it is interesting to note that certain Tory Republicans are getting worried over the fact that their anti-Roosevelt propaganda and that of Hitler are beginning to sound uncomfortably alike. For example, the reactionary columnist, Frank R. Kent, writing in the Wall Street Journal, confesses:

"Certain isolationists, finding their own arguments against the President's policy repeated by Hitler, regarded them as sound. In other words, the Hitler speech found a certain amount of public commendation here and supplied to the opponents of President Roosevelt's policies a certain amount of ammunition."

This is choice. It places the Senators

Taft and Nye, Hoover, and the whole isolationist crowd exactly where they belong—with Hitler's deceitful fight against peace guarantees. Mr. Kent is discreet in not mentioning that these "certain" groups are his own Tory gang, including himself.

America now needs real Congressional legislation to back up Roosevelt's peace policy. This requires a law to permit the Government to discriminate between the aggressor and the victim.

The Negro Vote at Miami

The Miami elections two days ago witnessed a demonstration of courageous Americanism which should make the country ring with applause and support.

Exercising their newly-won right to vote, after the repeal of the poll tax, the Negro people of Miami, Florida, were not intimidated by the Ku Klux Klan gangs which swept through the streets threatening violence and murder to every Negro who voted. They went to the polls in a record-breaking vote.

This magnificent demonstration struck a blow not only for Negro rights, but for the democratic rights of all decent people in the state, especially the poverty-stricken white workers who had also been robbed of the right to vote by the "white supremacy" gangs. The Klan tried to nullify the state law repealing the poll tax; the Negro people defended the democratic achievement written into the law. Their courage won.

At the same time, the Klan spirit took another innocent victim in the lynching of Lee Snell, at Daytona, 250 miles away.

The perpetrators of this cowardly murder are known; their names have been given to the sheriff by a police officer. The telegram of the International Labor Defense of Florida urging U. S. Attorney General Murphy to take action should be acted upon.

Cream Is "Verboten"

Every time Hitler engages in new assaults on the integrity of any nation, or plans new plunders, the German people pay for it. In the beginning it was "guns not butter."

Later it was increased hours and lower pay.

Soon there was no coffee and less bread. The latest privation exacted from the German people, to pay for the cost of intensified fascist war preparations, is reported by Joseph Barnes, N. Y. Herald Tribune Berlin correspondent, as follows:

"The reminders to Germans of the grim reality of the world they now live in are usually more homely and simple than ultimatums or mobilization orders."

"For instance, an ordinance issued today renewed until September the limitation of the sale of cream, which has all but disappeared from the German menu."

The cream of fabulous war profits for the trusts is not included in the prohibition.

Padway Makes an Admission

William Green heatedly denied the charges made by John L. Lewis, who offered to furnish proof that the A. F. of L. leaders worked jointly with the National Association of Manufacturers and open-shop corporations to emasculate the Wagner Labor Act.

But when Joseph Padway, counsel to the Federation, appeared before the Senate Labor Committee immediately after Green, he admitted that he had consulted with "lawyers of employers as clients" and that these attorneys had suggested some "excellent amendments."

The amendments, however, were not only suggested but also accepted. That is clear from the very nature of the Walsh amendments sponsored by Green. It has long been recognized by a large section of the A. F. of L., including the officials of the International Association of Machinists, that these amendments are thoroughly anti-union in character.

In the face of Lewis' charges and Padway's admission, the members of the A. F. of L. will want Green to explain a few things. His denials have a hollowing ring.

A Valuable Opportunity

Thanks to the quick work of a handful of fighting New Deal Congressmen the Hobbs "Concentration Camp" Bill has been held up for another few days.

Otherwise the Dies crowd would have rushed it through. The country would have found itself with its first concentration camp measure. The bill is aimed by Dies at "aliens"; but that is only the appetizer. The rest of progressive America would be next.

The respite won by Marcantonio, Dickstein, and Celler of New York—should be immediately seized upon by all decent people to wire protests. Telegraph today to Congressman Sabbath of the House Rules Committee and your Congressman protesting against the Hobbs "Concentration camp" Bill.

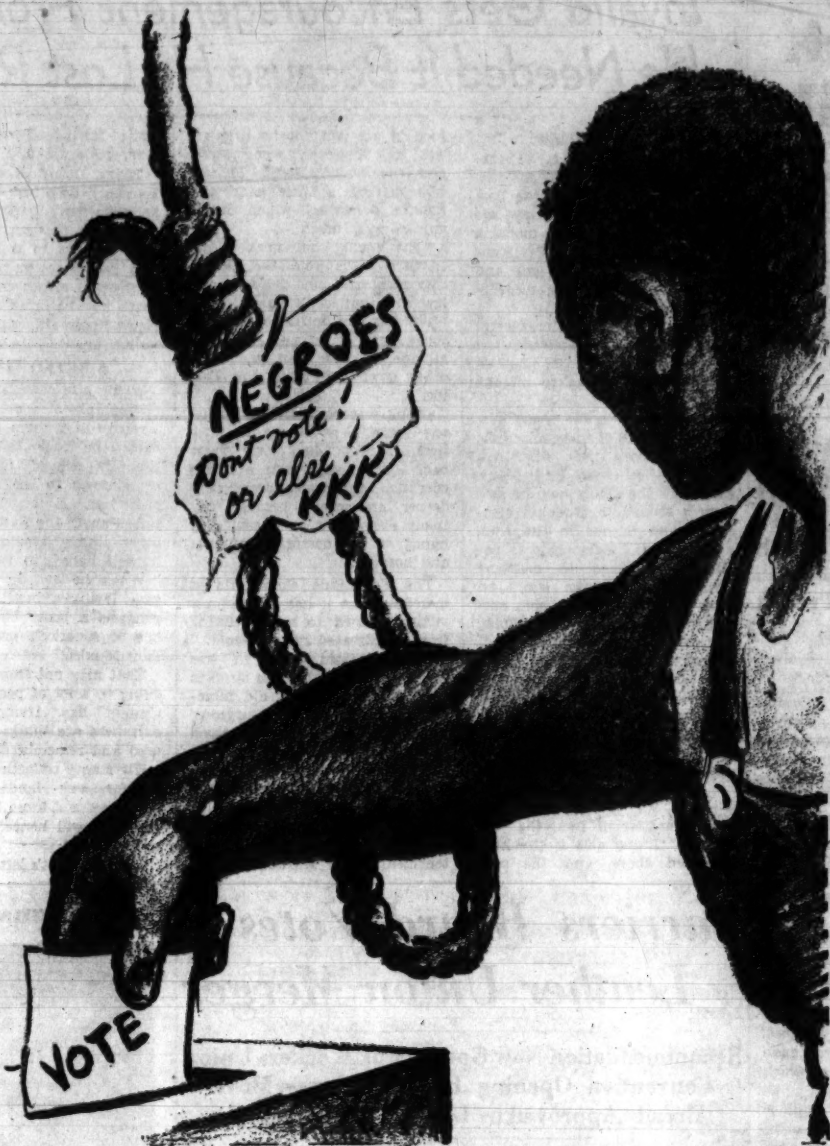
World Fair Prices

Really now, \$1.00 for a sandwich with some mashed potatoes. That's too much. And somebody ought to tip off the people who are running the food concessions at the World's Fair that this will not bring joy to the average visitor.

The Fair is for everybody. We think it would be a good idea to trim the prices to suit the average pocket. Can't something be done about the 75 cent admission price? We don't want anybody to miss anything there because of steep prices. And maybe something could be done to let large families go in a body without taking half of daddy's pay check away.

WHO'S AFRAID?

by Ellis



NEWS ITEM: Negro voters in Miami defy KKK terror with biggest turnout at polls.

Poland Can Be Saved From Czechoslovakia's Fate

Will Danzig be another Sudeten area?

If Hitler's war plans are allowed to proceed, it will.

If the "appeasement" policy is permitted to function once again, it will.

But the forces exist and are aroused which can halt Hitler before he puts his gory hands on Danzig and the Polish Corridor.

Acceptance of the Soviet Union's peace proposal by Great Britain and France, and yes, by the threatened Polish government itself, would be the greatest assurance that Hitler's hordes would never cross Polish territory.

Realization of President Roosevelt's peace policy, and wholehearted support to new steps to follow up his peace message to the fascist dictators, would enormously help keep Hitler out of Danzig and world war away from mankind.

The Nazi campaign for Danzig and the Polish Corridor is already under way.

The fascist formula is well known by now. Remember Sudetenland? The vicious Nazi press began a barrage against the Czechoslovak government. Mountainous lies were printed about "brutalities" in Czechoslovakia against Germans—Germans who were never part of Germany. Soon, in stepped Premier Chamberlain's Mr. Runciman. He weakened Czech determination to resist.

Then came Munich. Hitler was handed the Sudeten area. He said: "This is my last territorial demand in Europe. I don't want a single Czech."

Six months later, Hitler was in Prague

and Czechoslovak national independence was destroyed.

Now the same style of attack is being initiated against Poland.

But it is begun in a vastly different world situation.

True, there are the national Polish traitors, like Josef Beck, anxious to come to terms with the Nazi aggressors.

However, throughout the land in Poland, the cry rises higher: "Down with Hitler! Danzig is Polish! Not an inch of the Corridor to German fascism!"

Will Beck be able to overcome universal Polish public opinion? He will no doubt try. Warsaw's bi-lateral (two-sided) treaty with the Chamberlains most responsible for Munich and the fate of Czechoslovakia can not be trusted to safeguard Poland, unless it is followed up immediately with realization of the proposals for broad collective security made by the Soviet Union.

The Polish people, without question, desire the closest relations with the U.S.S.R.

On Friday, Josef Beck will speak and make official response to Hitler's demands.

Will he by capitulatory statements encourage the Nazis either to create an uprising in Danzig as a pretext for invasion, or to undertake actual aggression?

The situation is uncertain and the danger great because the Munichers in France and Great Britain, thus far, have stalled on the Soviet Union's peace proposals and because these same Munich abettors have worked counter to President Roosevelt's peace message.

Letters From Our Readers

'That News Should Have Been Headlined'

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I know you will accept this criticism in the spirit of Communist self-correction.

In your Monday, May 1, edition, tucked away, was a release from the Social Security Board. In about fifty words the startling facts were revealed that the average woman's wage in 1937 was \$528 and male employee's wages were \$1,027.

By the process of simple arithmetic we find that based on these facts weekly average men's pay envelopes contained \$19.75. Weekly wages for our intelligent American women was \$10.

On May Day, when hundreds of thousands paraded to express their unity, facts like the ones cited above should have been dramatically presented. In a working class newspaper this is the kind of news that should be headlined and frontpaged.

It is only fair to tell you that your handling of news with this exception has always won my admiration.

P. GOLDBERG.

Reports on May Day 'Shameful Procedure'

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I witnessed the greater part of the May Day march and browsed up and down the line of march as though I'd been sent out to turn in honest copy.

Yet what need I say than to point to the morning papers, practically all of which carried their scur-

riously amateur reports in a few sticks on pages 40 and 45, away back where it had to be looked for. Photographs were ridiculously few and meaningless. The approach to this thing was one of mockery and cynicism.

I really find it hard to write about this. It is shameful procedure, and worthwhile remembering when those phony "freedom of the press" boys get together.

A FORMER NEWSPAPERMAN.

Nazi Propaganda Disguised at Discussion

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Read Eugene Konecky's letter in the May 3rd "Worker" and was very agreeably surprised to find people noticing that anti-Semitic "ad" in the Daily News run by Colliers magazine.

It made my blood boil to think a newspaper read by so many thousands of people would print a full-page "ad" telling the people that "the Jew is intellectually superior"—"Read Colliers and find out why!" Readers, write the Daily News and Colliers voicing your protest at this Nazi propaganda disguised as discussion.

In complete protest to these two publications.

R. L. O.

'Old Technique of Omission'

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

As a former publicity worker and newspaperman, it is a continual source of annoyance, even downright chagrin, to me when I take note of the bad manners

World Front

By HARRY GANNES



Poland Shows That Nazis' Maneuvering Area Is Narrowed—Peoples Determined to Resist

Poland is next on Hitler's list. To begin with, the Nazis want only a little slice of Poland somewhere along the Polish nation's jugular vein.

Though Hitler has begun his well-hearsed Sudeten kind of campaign against Poland, the aggressor's maneuvering ground has severely contracted.

The narrowing of maneuvering possibilities has made it ever so much harder for another Munich "appeasement." And coming so soon after Munich, which intensified tremendously the danger of world war, Hitler's drive against Poland has magnified manifold the peril of an actual outbreak.

Hitler, reports show, has no hesitation about shedding blood on Polish soil by extension of the existing wars. But the world situation is such, regardless of the wishes of the fascist dictators and their London and Paris allies, that igniting the spark of battle in Poland would soon explode world war.

The Nazis are anxiously awaiting Friday's speech of Warsaw's foreign minister, Joseph Beck.

This address is expected to give Poland's official answer to the Nazi demands.

Hitler is worried about Beck's speech, even though he thoroughly understands that Warsaw's chief diplomat is a great friend of fascism.

Beck talks in a situation in which he cannot speak out as he would like to. Overwhelmingly, Polish public opinion is against concessions to Hitler. On the contrary, much to the surprise of the Nazis, the Warsaw government, whether sincerely or not, demanded increased Polish rights in Danzig.

Cries of "Down with Hitler" have been reverberating throughout Poland for months now. The Polish people want their country defended from Nazi invasion. Even top circles in Poland are split over the issue of concessions to the Nazis, with more and more influential sections veering away from Beck's basic position of capitulation to fascism.

However, there are disturbing signs against a strong stand. A recent report we received from Poland said of the Moscovist government that it "is endeavoring, with the aid of bombastic speeches about the extraordinary responsibility imposed on it by the international situation, to silence the discontent of the mass of people and prevent any criticism of the foreign policy of the government."

In this respect, the recent decree measures assumed by President Moscicki of Poland can prove a double-edged sword. It can be a weapon for gestures against the Nazi plunder plans and for actual attack on the people who criticize betrayal of the nation. Nevertheless, illusions are being shaken in high quarters that it will be possible to come to terms with the Nazis without injury to Poland, or that real help will be forthcoming from the Chamberlains and Dela-diers.

Originally, this idea of concessions to the Nazis prompted the signing of the Anglo-Polish bi-lateral pact for defense of Poland's "independence," though not "integrity." The semi-official interpretation put on this understanding by the London Times was that Beck and his cohorts were to satisfy Nazi demands concerning Danzig and the corridor.

But since then, the Polish people's determination to defend their nation has so hardened, and the splits in the upper strata of Polish officialdom has grown so great over the question, that the Beck gang is finding it difficult to go through with the original plans. That is why the Nazis are worried.

A sign of the times in Poland is the overwhelming desire of the Polish people to see realized the Soviet Union's proposals for collective security against the aggressors.

The Warsaw government, unable completely to fly in the face of popular insistence, in this issue, is sidestepping by talking of a "bi-lateral treaty" with the Soviet Union "to defend Poland" yet not to pledge Poland in resisting fascist aggression elsewhere.

The Nazis, who have started a vituperative press attack on Poland have not yet begun their worst. They are awaiting Beck's speech Friday. This pronouncement, it is reported, can have three possibilities: (1) It can demand increased Polish rights in Danzig and flatly reject any incursion on the corridor. This kind of reply is least likely. (2) It can reject Hitler's insistence on Danzig and refuse the Nazi Trojan Horse being placed in the corridor. This is the reply the Polish people want. (3) It can, finally, open the way for a "Sudeten solution" of Hitler's demands, which would satisfy Chamberlain and lead to destruction of Polish integrity. Beck's dilemma is how to straddle what the Polish people insist on with his own desire to grant Hitler what the Nazis wish at Poland's expense.

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of the press. The newspaper treatment of the great Soviet fight and of the flyers themselves can only be compared to the subsequent reportage about the May Day parade and demonstration.

To state that the press is corrupt and dishonest is to be hackneyed. Actually the whole thing has a more serious aspect than that. It is evident that the publishers are coming to consider their own readers as idiots and nuisances. This brazenness is worth looking into.

With the intrepid flyers it was simply the old technique of omission. The flight itself was pushed into limbo and only the later forced landing under impossible flying conditions played up. Almost every photograph made the whole thing look like a trivial fiasco. One must remember that besides its scientific purpose the flight was also intended as a good-will event. This latter, the newspapers were obviously determined, would not be achieved.

H. R.

'Keep the Boycott Going'

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

We must strengthen our fight for the boycott of silk. Silk consumption during the last four months has risen over the consumption of last year.

We must remember, that for every pair of silk stockings that are sold in the United States, for every silk tie, for any silk article that is bought in the United States, the Japanese aggressors get the money to buy more munitions with which to kill and maim the heroic Chinese men, women and children. Keep the boycott going! M. PHILIPS, Milt Young Club.

Change the World

Democracy, the United Front, and the Editors Of "Ken" Magazine

By MIKE GOLD

IT TAKES all kinds of people to make a world as the feller said, and it takes all kinds to make a united front against fascism. You have to get used to this, and understand it. A united front is the result of a huge and dangerous necessity.

At sea the deck officers and the engine room are not always on the best of terms, but in a storm they work together or drown. Fascism threatens now to sink not only democracy, but every trace of the immemorial human decency that have managed to survive through centuries of war and slavery. It is impossible to be neutral in the face of it. And it affects people in curious ways, as every great emergency does.

But here is the one big problem on the world agenda, which must be solved—Democracy, which by definition is a loose federation of many political forces, simply has to unite or perish. You are not asked to be subtle, or to point out all the crimes and errors of democracy as an alibi for inaction. You are asked only to help to the limit to defend democracy—nothing else counts at the moment.

In Spain, in China, in Czechoslovakia and other areas blasted by fascism, the Communists have shed their best blood in the vanguard of democracy. Anti-Communists claim this is only a roundabout maneuver to defend the Soviet Union, and that Communists have no real loyalty to democracy. But the Soviet Union itself is ranged on the side of the democracies against fascism. Even British Tories like Winston Churchill have begun to see this, and to insist that without the Soviet Union, the democracies may go down to defeat. The world scene has changed. Only fools like Roy Howard believe any longer that Hitler can be kidded into attacking the Soviet Union, before he has protected his rear by gobbling up France, and neutralizing England. Hitler is still following the schedule he laid down in "Mein Kampf."

Communists the world over, including the Soviet Union, defend democracy simply because they believe that Communism is a part of democracy, and has everything to lose by the victory of fascism. There's the whole story and if the fools would only read Communist literature and Soviet documents, they would see for themselves. It is not a mere temporary maneuver, but an old fundamental principle that has been expounded by Marx and Lenin and all the socialist teachers, and that Stalin has elucidated plainly in many a speech and state document.

But fools, of course, don't want to read or understand—they live by prejudice and emotion. And you will find all manner of fools who honestly hate fascism and put in some good looks against it, but who also think it necessary to go on slandering and insulting Communism. Nobody asks them to love Communism or even to understand it, but one can say this: that when they use fascist help and fascist methods against the Communists, they are only cutting their own democratic throats.

I want to name a curious example of this suicidal blindness before I drop the sad subject. I guess we all have heard of that magazine called "Ken." It was started as an anti-fascist sheet, but from the beginning threw in a foul punch at Communists whenever possible.

Now it has become a weekly—a flashy affair which I for one find peculiarly vulgar, for it hasn't a single fundamental article to make people understand fascism or democracy, but is something like a tipster's sheet, full of trivial gossip and anecdotes about individual politicians, etc., etc. "Ken" is against fascism, but thinks the fight is something like a horse-race or other sporting event.

Anyway, this magazine has been recently printing some articles "exposing the menace of Communism" in South America. They are signed by one "Panamerican." It is useless to discuss them; they are familiar stuff. At this moment I only offer to eat my hat, shoes and canvas gloves if these anonymous articles did not originate in some fascist propaganda agency. The attack on President Cardenas and his "communism" is one of the tipoffs, as well as many other details of style and content.

I challenge the bright young editor of Ken to prove that in his blind and vulgar prejudice against Communism he has not fallen into a fascist trap, and is helping influence North Americans against the anti-fascist, democratic forces of South America, of whom Cardenas is the leader. Who wrote those articles and what party does he belong to Mr. Gingrich? Do you really know, or don't you care?

HOW DO YOU FEEL?

HEALTH ADVICE

Is the Periodic Health Examination Worth While?

"See your doctor once a year" has become such a familiar slogan that its worth is seldom questioned. It is somewhat surprising, therefore, to find the question of the periodic health examination opened up afresh by Dr. Reginald Fitz in the Journal of the American Medical Association. Dr. Fitz is entitled to healthy skepticism on the subject for he has had first-hand experience with periodic health examinations for 15 years.

The periodic health examination, as you probably know, is the thorough medical examination of an apparently well person at intervals, in the hope of detecting signs of very early illness even before the patient is aware of them. This offers the possibility of checking illness before its effects become serious. The periodic health examination has been practiced in this country for about 20 years and it is regarded as an important element in preventive medicine.

Dr. Fitz, however, notes numerous instances out of his own experience in which periodic health examinations failed in their purpose. Cases of chronic illness are cited which were detected only when it was too late to do anything for the patient. In fact, the doctor notes cases where the illness became apparent only after the patient had died of it. He points out, however, that if the case histories were checked back in the light of what actually occurred many interesting details were discovered which threw light on the development of the illness. The periodic health examination thus becomes a means of training physicians and adding to their knowledge so that they can better serve their patients.

The real difficulty arises in a way that the article does not consider. For a program of periodic health examinations to be effective, two conditions are necessary. The patient must return for his examination year after year, preferably to the same physician. This physician must be in a position to correlate his observations with those of other physicians for, obviously, the study of illness by this method must be collective. The present system of medical practice does not favor the fulfillment of these conditions. Financial ups and downs make it unlikely that a patient can remain

under his private doctor's care for years while he returns for examinations at regular intervals; particularly when there is no urgent necessity. Furthermore, collective study is feasible at present only in clinics, hospitals and medical centers which are so overcrowded (again, because of the economics of the situation) that there is little time to do else besides attending to actual illness. For the proper utilization of the periodic health examination a system of practice is necessary where the cost is not borne by the individual patient and where opportunity for collective effort is available. This must be coupled with a program of general health education.

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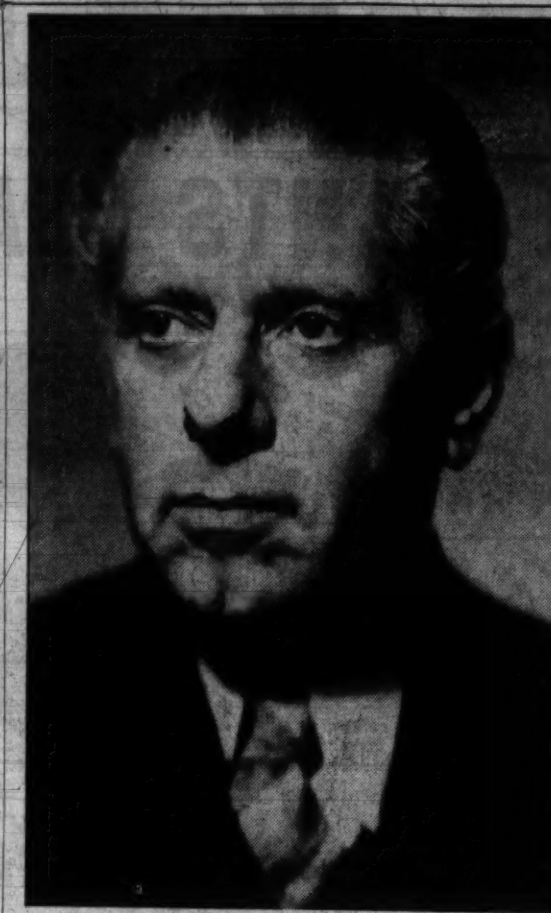
The Swastika Over German Film

Nazis Forced Best Artists to Flee Their Homeland

By David Platt

Before Hitler fascism came to power, the German film was known and applauded throughout Europe and America for its splendid contributions to the art of the motion picture. Though many of the best German films were "escapist" in character, they nevertheless possessed enormous technical and artistic value. The Germans were the first to develop a significant school of acting for the films. Before Eisenstein, Pudovkin, Dovzhenko and other Soviet directors raised the art of the motion picture to its highest level, the German artists led the world. Among their achievements are such notable films as Joyless Street, Shattered, The Street, Waxworks, Rasokolkoff, Tartuffe, Brothers Karamazov, Metropolis, Siegfried, Niebelungen Ring, White Hell of Pilsen, The Golem, Vanina, Dr. Mabuse, Caligari, Variety, Secrets of the Soul, Last Laugh, Homecoming, Kameradschaft, Walls Dream, Comrades of 1918, Dreigroschenopera, Kuhle Wampe, M. Maedchen in Uniform. (A few months before the crash, the German film gave unmistakable evidence of a renaissance of social films). With few exceptions, most of the technicians, musicians, painters, writers, directors, actors and actresses who were responsible for the classic period of the German film were forced to flee Germany when Goebbels ordered a housecleaning of non-Aryans, Jews and "bolshavists": G. W. Pabst, Fritz Lang, William Dieterle, Fritz Kortner, Hanns Miller, Bert Brecht, Kurt Weill, Peter Lorre, E. A. Dupont, Elizabeth Bergner, Max Rheinhardt, Paul Czinner, Conrad Veidt, Robert Wiene, Erich Pommer, Joe May, Ludwig Berger, Walter Ruttmann, Wilhelm Thiele, Oscar Homolka, Richard Tauber, Hertha Thiele, Dolly Haas, Marienne Dietrich, Thers von Harbou and others. Today their functions have been usurped by the mediocrities of the Friedrichstrasse.

is unpopular in their own land. They point with pride to the fact that whereas only 235,000,000 Germans attended movies in 1932, the attendance in 1936 rose to 315,000,000. But figures lie and liars figure. The Nazis arrived at thephony figure of 315,000,000 by including millions of people forced to attend free showings of Nazi propaganda films. For example on March 7, 1937, National Film Day



Max Reinhardt, world famous stage and movie director, who was forced to leave Nazi Germany. He is now in the U.S.A.

was celebrated and 2,000 theatres had to donate free seats to 1,000,000 spectators. Millions more were compelled to sit through several hours of Leni Riefenstahl's monumental bore, "The Triumph of the Will." Goebbels once issued a command—and it still is in effect that motion pictures had to be labelled with six tags in the following order of importance: 1. Politically and artistically excellent. 2. Politically and artistically useful. 3. Politically useful. 4. Artistically useful. 5. Culturally useful. 6. Educational. (Note that educational films are considered of least importance).

In order to make sure that this command would be carried out to the last letter, the Propaganda Ministry set up an elaborate apparatus. Today the Nazi movie industry is over-run with job-holders with such high sounding titles like: Reichminister, Staatskommissaren, Reichskulturwart, Oberregierungs- räte, Hauptstellenleiter, Kontingentenleiter, Amtsleiter, Geschaefts-fuehrer, Doktoren, storm troopers and plain cops.

This strikes one as being a perfect atmosphere for the production of such obscene films as "German Fate on Russian Soil" in which the German girl who dared to fall in love with the "bolshavik" villain explains her great sin by dying beautifully in a marsh. In the film "Black Shame" the Nazis not only attacked the Negro race with malicious hatred but condemned past society for ever permitting a single Negro to escape the torch. "S. A. Mann-Brand" portrayed Nazis as progressives and peace lovers while the Communists and Jews are gangsters and gunmen.

Millions of Germans were compelled to sit patiently through this endless parade. Time was when they could balance this boredom with an entertaining Hollywood film. But the Reichskulturwart and the Geschaefts-fuehrer soon began to turn thumbs down on almost every worthwhile foreign production.

True to form, the most reactionary films were cordially received. "Gabriel Over the White House" was officially endorsed by the Nazi Party for its educational value. "Riffraff," "Red Salute," "Stranded," "Oil for Lamps of China" were all okayed by the Reichskulturwart and Staatskommissaren. Children were commanded to attend performances of military films but they were not permitted to see such "naughty" democratic films as "Naughty Marietta," "Ekimmo," "Peter Ibbotson," "Broadway Melody" and the Shirley Temple opuses. All these were "contrary to the spirit of the new Germany of Adolph Hitler."

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Some day the German people will get rid of the Goebbels and the rest of the clique that rules present-day Germany. Some day the German artists now in exile will return to pick up where they left off in life. When that great day comes, watch out for an epoch of German films that will startle the world.

Under the baton of Eugene Plotnikoff the Federal Symphony Orchestra and the Federal Opera Chorus recently devoted an entire program to the works of Modest Moussorgsky in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of his birth. Max Panteleff, bass baritone, and Marie Maruchess, mezzo-soprano, were the soloists in selections from "Boris Goudonov," and "Khovanshtchina," the most famous operas of this Russian genius.

The weaknesses in Moussorgsky's work resulting from his desultory training in harmony and composition (he was a capable pianist) were hardly evident on the comprehensive program. Much has been said of his unorthodox methods of work, his faulty part writing, and weak orchestrations, but limitations of space preclude a detailed discussion of these charges. Suffice it to say that most of them are exaggerated and some of them are pedantic humbug. The force of his genius overshadows any weaknesses he may have.

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And indeed, the most noteworthy characteristics of his operas are their incredibly earthiness, and saturation with character. Unlike his contemporaries, who admired "absolute beauty" in composition, he never uses padding in the form of mathematically calculated harmonic progressions.

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BOOKS

Saroyan Battles His Own Shadow in Latest Book

Reviewed by Maxwell Bodenheim

Master of a simple and yet clever style, William Saroyan has written sketches which rarely attain the detail and plot of short stories, and in his creations, cynicism and sentimentality stage a fearful wrestle, with neither gaining a victory.

The title story is a perfect example of this futile conflict. A young man is sentenced to five years in the federal penitentiary for a morals offense. "Two eager, middle-aged, slum-dwelling white women" rise in the courtroom and say to the judge: "Thank you, Father, Peace, it's wonderful."

The judge rebukes them, and the young man voices his love for peace and informs reporters that he intends to spend his next five years "in holy seclusion," writing a book. Manuel, the "pool-shark" thereupon decides to investigate "dis peace stuff" and that night he meets two girls of the half-wit school and departs with them. He shows up at two in the morning and declares: "It was all lousy. What is dis stuff?"

That is the "story." Writing in a world darkened by gun smoke and reaction, with the fascists plotting enslavement for mankind and every moment intoning the need for collective action to save democracy, William Saroyan can only grin, sneer, shrug, his shoulders.

Many of the other "stories" are less irritating though equally fragmentary. A man continually tries out pianos in different stores, improvising for hours but lacking enough money to purchase one. His admiring sweetheart listens and afterwards she realizes that: "Somehow or other he'd get a piano some day, and everything else, too."

This is the sentimental Saroyan, suggesting that vast talent and persistence can always triumph over poverty and loneliness (economic and political action would be "unesthetic," of course).

Again, a Japanese out of work longs to raise strawberries but is forced to remain idle in the saloon of a Southwest border-town. Disgusted, he takes to catching flies with his mouth and swallowing them, to attract attention, to gain once more some slight feeling of importance, activity. Then, after the World War has passed, the saloon falls into the hands of a "returned soldier," who ejects the

Japanese and the other unemployed men.

Verily, this Saroyan is a heartless child, pinching irrelevant grotesqueries from the skins of obscure, suffering men—a child entranced with his own literary facility and nimble isolation.

In his foreword he claims to be "for the unnamed man in the multitude," but in "Peace, It's Wonderful," his brand of loyalty and understanding, consisting of mingled jeer and flitting embrace, is a weird and futile contradiction!

Foster Answers Many Vital Questions of Day in New Pamphlet

William Z. Foster has made another significant contribution to the progressive and working class movement in the United States with his new pamphlet, soon off the press, "Your Questions Answered," 128 pages, price 15 cents.

The questions deal with politics, peace, economics, fascism, anti-Semitism, race prejudice, religion, trade unionism, Americanism, democracy, Socialism and Communism.

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"With a Smile," Maurice Chevalier's new musical comedy, ends its uptown run at the Thalia tomorrow.

Starting Friday two liberal films will be featured jointly at the Thalia, "Concentration Camp," an expose of Nazism with S. Mezhinsky and O. Zhakov, stars of "Professor Mamlock," and Joris Ivens' "The 400 Million," documenting the Chinese people's struggle against Japanese aggression, with narration by Dudley Nichols, spoken by Fredric March.

EISENSTEIN FILM HELD OVER

"Alexander Nevsky" has begun its seventh week at the Cameo.

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